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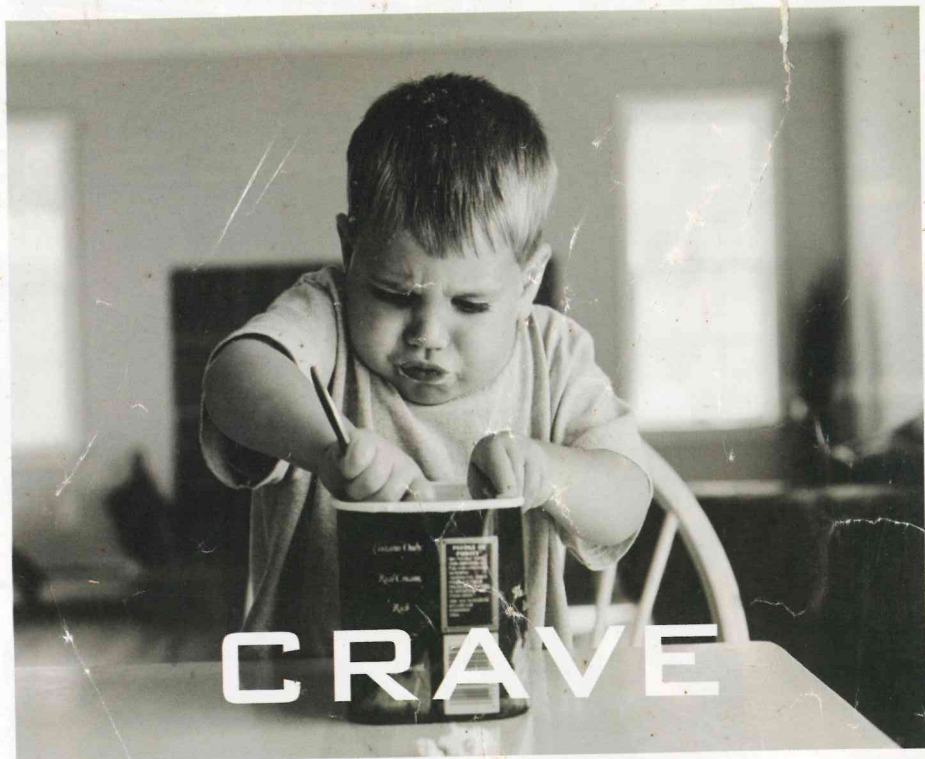
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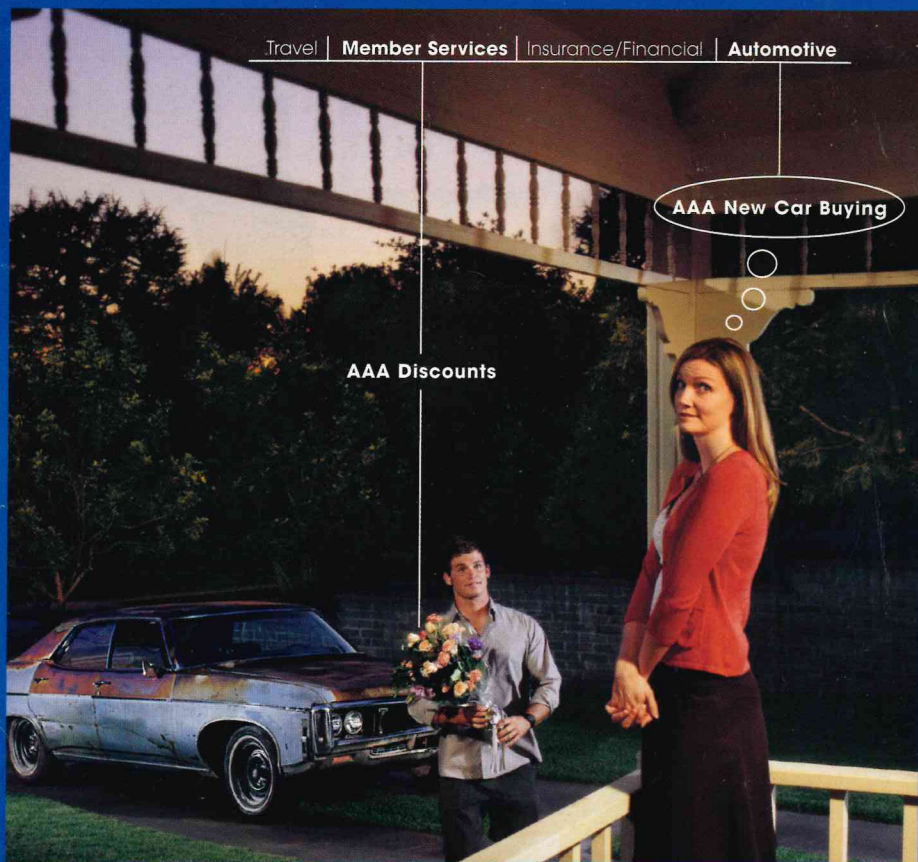
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BY ADAM BRADY





# Duo

**Scott Niedermayer and Chris Pronger have been just as good as advertised**

More often than not, the hype far outweighs the results. Remember New Coke? Tons of buildup, very little taste. Most blockbuster movies don't thrill us as much as the trailers do. And when was the last time we saw a decent Super Bowl?

So when the hockey world was abuzz about the uniting of two of the best defensemen in the NHL, there was reason to hold judgment until they hit the ice. Yet Scott Niedermayer and Chris Pronger have been everything they were publicized to be, and they are a major reason the Ducks have been one of the league's best all season.

Most hockey people consider Niedermayer and Pronger among the top three defensemen in the league, along with Niklas Lidstrom of Detroit. (Lidstrom is the current holder of the Norris Trophy for the NHL's top defenseman, an honor Niedermayer and Pronger have each won in their careers.) And a look at the league's best defenseman scorers this season will find both Niedermayer and Pronger at the top of the list – just where they were expected to be.

But numbers aside, what is it that makes the two such great defensive players? In other words, what does it take to be a great defenseman?

"You have to be a smart player to play defense, especially with the way the rules are now," Niedermayer says. "It's a lot about positioning, a lot about understanding what the offensive players are trying to do. You have to have a knack for knowing where to go, how to limit their options and get the puck to your teammates."

Head coach Randy Carlyle admits he is "spoiled" being able to have either Niedermayer or Pronger (who each average just more than 27 minutes of time on ice per game) on the ice at all times. During the

power play, they typically are out there at the same time, with Pronger often launching booming slap shots from the point, while Niedermayer typically looks for a seam in which to slide the puck to a teammate or the net. But it's in the Ducks' own zone that Carlyle is most impressed by the two.

"They both have a tremendous amount of hockey intelligence, which means they're never very far out of position," says their head coach, Randy Carlyle. "They both use their sticks very well. In the new rules, the stick has to be much more effective in defending the puck, much more than the body. They are two players who have made that transition very easily."

Francois Beauchemin has had a close look at Niedermayer over the last two seasons, having played alongside him on the Ducks' starting defensive pairing. As much as Beauchemin says he has learned from playing with Niedermayer, he's just as impressed with Pronger.

"They're both good skaters, they both carry the puck really well and make good passes," Beauchemin says. "The way they read the play is incredible. They almost never get caught on the bad side of the play and they're very tough to go against one-on-one. You get that from a lot of experience, playing a lot of games and knowing who you're playing against and what they usually do on the ice."

Indeed, both Niedermayer and Pronger have plenty of experience. The 33-year-old Niedermayer is in his 15th season, having won three Stanley Cups in his 13 seasons in New Jersey. He played his 1,000th NHL game on Nov. 28 at Edmonton. But that was overshadowed by the raucous reception that greeted Pronger's return to that city, where he helped the Oilers to the Stanley Cup

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**Niederemayer on Pronger:** "He's a big guy with a big reach who uses his body. When the puck is around him, he always seems to get a piece of it."

The body-type differential also contributes to the diversity in their styles of play. Pronger has a longer reach and a bigger body, both of which he uses expertly to pry away pucks or recover them in the corners. Niederemayer uses his agility more to beat opponents to the puck. Then when they have the puck, Pronger is the master of the pinpoint pass that he fires from his own zone to a Ducks forward at the far blue line. Niederemayer prefers to carry the puck himself, much like a basketball point guard.

"Our strengths are definitely different," says Niederemayer. "He's a big guy with a big reach who uses his body, and I'm a smaller guy who uses skating a little more to my advantage."

Pronger is a bit blunter about it. "He's a lot better skater than I am," he says.

Before joining sides, each had seen the other play plenty of times. Most recently, it was during last year's hard-fought Western Conference Finals series in which the Pronger-led Edmonton ultimately prevailed in five games. Despite having been face-to-face for so many years, each player says they learned more about the other now that they're facing the same direction.

"The one thing

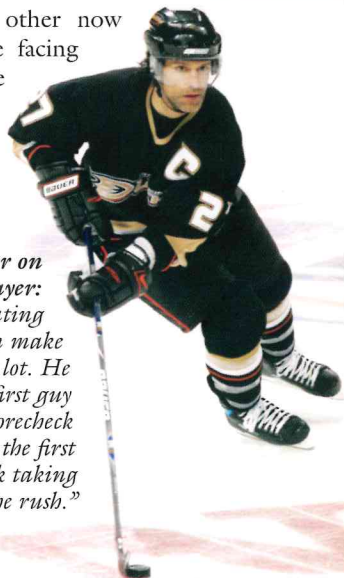
Finals before being traded last offseason. The Ducks are the 32-year-old Pronger's fourth NHL team in 13 seasons, as he spent his first two in Hartford and nine in St. Louis, where he won the Norris and the Hart Trophy (league MVP) in 1999-2000.

It was almost fitting that Niederemayer's major milestone got little attention in comparison to Pronger's return to Edmonton. The discrepancy in attention matched their personalities – Niederemayer the more soft-spoken one and Pronger the more boisterous one.

"He's certainly not the most gregarious guy," says Pronger of Niederemayer, with whom he often carpools to the rink, along with Niederemayer's equally quiet brother Rob. "But when he speaks in the locker room, guys obviously listen and know he's got something to say."

There is also a notable physical difference between the two. At 6-6 Pronger is taller than just about everybody, while Niederemayer is listed at 6-1. Pass Pronger on the street and you automatically assume he's an athlete – although probably a basketball player. Niederemayer can walk right by in a t-shirt and shorts without anyone knowing he's one of the best professional athletes in the world.

**Pronger on Niederemayer:**  
*"His skating ability can make up for a lot. He can be the first guy on the forecheck and then be the first guy back taking the rush."*



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I'm impressed by is how good he is with his stick," Niedermayer says, "whether it's poking or checking the puck off players' sticks or knocking it out of the air or whatever it may be. When the puck is around him, he always seems to get a piece of it. That's pretty frustrating as an offensive player when you're trying to get something going and he's always getting his stick on the puck."

Pronger says that while Niedermayer was a world-class player during his stint in New Jersey, he's even better now. "When he was playing in Jersey, he was hamstrung a little bit by the system. Last year I got a little more taste of how he can play when he's got the reigns taken off. Now having the opportunity to play with him, I'm even more impressed with the way he controls the puck."

But Niedermayer's biggest strengths come from his ability to glide up and down the ice, seemingly with little effort. The Anaheim Duck captain is like an actual Duck, seemingly moving along the surface with no effort, while beneath the surface he's paddling like crazy.

"His skating ability can make up for a lot," Pronger says. "He can be the first guy on the forecheck and then be the first guy back taking the rush. I don't think he gets enough credit for the way he plays defensively. Obviously, everybody sees him skating the puck up the ice and making plays, but he's real solid in his own end."

Says Carlyle, "With other guys, it might take a long time to accomplish some of the things Scotty does on a day to day basis. It might happen for other guys once a month. That's the biggest difference, is his consistency."



*"They both have a tremendous amount of hockey intelligence," says Carlyle of Niedermayer (left) and Pronger.*

And Carlyle says Pronger is at that same level, especially after getting comfortable with the Ducks system and his teammates. "He's found a comfort zone in playing the way he's had to play with us," Carlyle says. "With both players, the biggest surprise has been the leadership skills they display. With Scotty, that took effect last year, and this year Pronger has stepped in here and been a big part of that." Both are also going to be Ducks for the long haul, as Niedermayer signed a four-year contract with the team in the 2005 offseason, while Pronger signed for three years last summer.

Few have benefited from the presence of the two in the defensive end as much as Ducks goalie J.S. Giguere, who last year called Niedermayer "definitely the best player I've ever played with." Now that he's looking at one (if not both) of their backs for almost the entire game, he admits it has made his job that much easier.

"It's awesome having those guys on my team," Giguere says. "They make you a better player. They're great leaders. They show us the way it's supposed to be every night. All we have to do is follow their lead." ■

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## WE ASKED THE DUCKS...

# What's your Favorite Non-Hockey Sport to Watch or Play?

### Teemu Selanne

I like to play and watch golf. I also am really into Formula One racing. When I was growing up, I played soccer and ice bandy, which is like field hockey played on ice.

### Chris Kunitz

I enjoy a lot of sports, but I used to play a lot of soccer. These days I watch a lot of golf and I play a little. I usually shoot in the mid-80s.

### Ryan Getzlaf

I like to watch pro football. I used to play baseball and football. I went to nationals playing Pee Wee baseball.

### Ryan Shannon

Lacrosse. I played all through high school and had an offer to play in college. My favorite sport to watch is golf. Sunday afternoon, watching the final round, Tiger with his red shirt on...I like that.

### Travis Moen

I played soccer when I was growing up. I like to watch NFL football.

### Sean O'Donnell

I play some golf and I like to watch NFL football. When I was growing up I played baseball and soccer.

### Chris Pronger

I play some golf. I played baseball growing up. I watch football and I play fantasy football, which makes me watch it a little more.

### J.S. Giguere

I used to watch and play a little bit of baseball, and I was a Montreal Expos fan growing up. I watch a little golf now.

### Scott Niedermayer

I'm not a huge watcher, but I enjoy winter sports like skiing and whatnot. As a kid I grew up with that, outside in the mountains.

### Francois Beauchemin

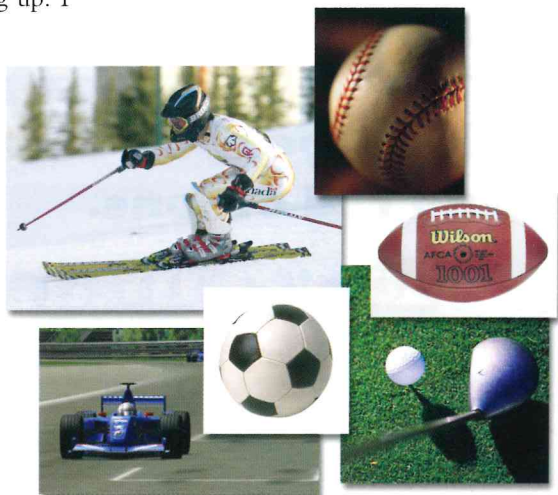
I like to watch baseball, but mostly during the playoffs. I liked the Expos because I grew up in Montreal, but then they left. I played some baseball when I was younger.

### Samuel Pahlsson

I love soccer. I try to watch it on TV when I can. I played until I was 14 or 15.

### George Parros

I like to watch pro football and golf. I like to play beach volleyball. I play in Hermosa Beach a lot. When I was growing up, I played soccer and lacrosse. ■



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# DICK'S FLASHBACK

A view from the rafters of one of J.S. Giguere's 28 saves during the Ducks' 4-1 victory over Calgary on Dec. 18 at Honda Center. The win gave the Ducks the fourth-best start in NHL history through 36 games.

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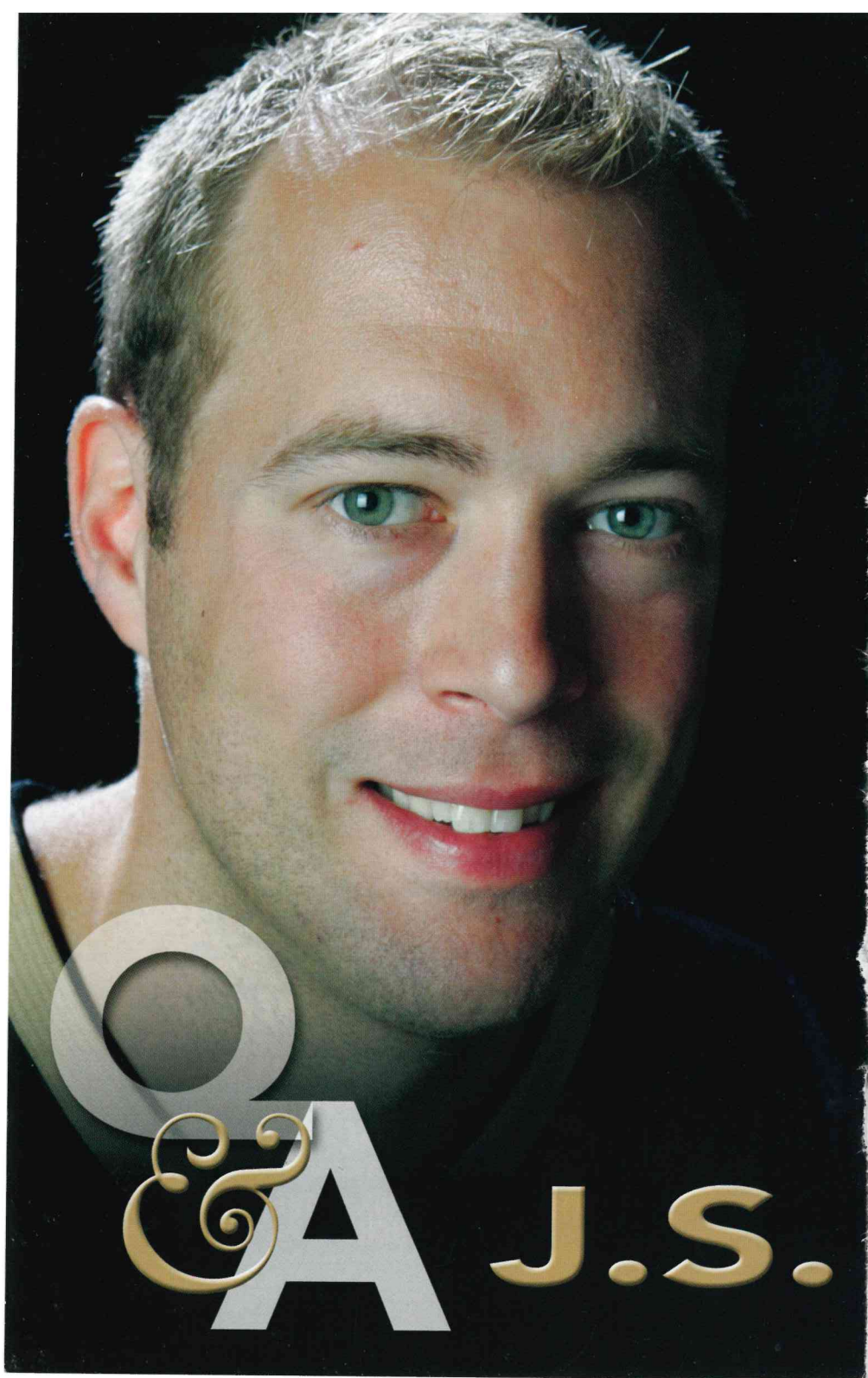


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**T**hough shielded by his goalie mask, the smile on J.S. Giguere's face has been evident after the final horn during several of the Ducks' victories he has helped clinch this season.

That smile was not as prevalent last year, when Giguere was hampered by injuries much of the season and missed much of the postseason. While backup Ilya Bryzgalov shined during those playoffs, Giguere himself also earned praise for the poise and team support he displayed in public.

He came into this season expected to share time with Bryzgalov, but "jiggy's" outstanding play in net – combined with injuries for Bryzgalov – has turned him into a workhorse for the Ducks. While sitting out a handful of games over the first half of the season, and missing some time with a groin injury suffered Dec. 26 at San Jose, Giguere was among the NHL leaders in wins, save percentage and goals against average. In helping the Ducks get off to a record-setting start to the season, Giguere was named NHL Star of the Week for the week of Oct. 16. During that time, he had a stellar 1.30 goals against average and a .951 save percentage in wins over Detroit, Minnesota and Los Angeles (in a shootout).

But as much success as Giguere has had this regular season, his ultimate goal is to get back to the Stanley Cup Finals, where in 2003 he won the Conn Smythe Trophy as the playoff MVP, even though the Ducks lost to New Jersey in seven games. In last year's playoffs, he did play six games, including an overtime victory over Calgary in Game 4 of the first round. In that game, Giguere extended his NHL record overtime shutout streak to 170 minutes, three seconds.

Giguere spoke recently to Ducks Digest about the successes of this season, and how it has helped wipe out the frustrations of last year.



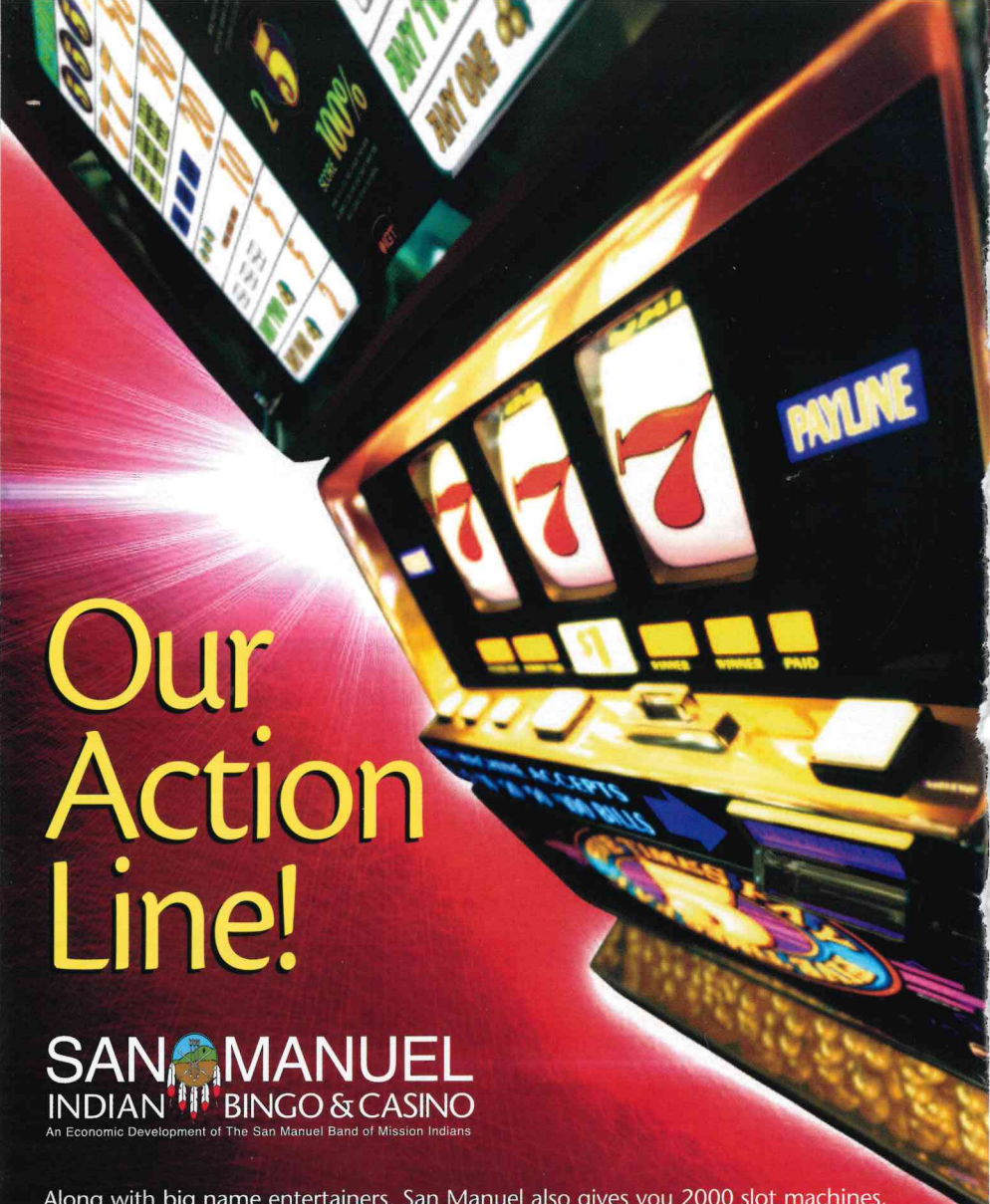
**What do you think has been the key to your success this season?**

There are a few things, but I think the main thing is my teammates. They have been awesome in front of me and make my job much easier every night. We have much the same group as last year, but having [Chris] Pronger back there too has been awesome. He and Scotty [Niedermayer] are obviously two of the best defensemen in the league, and it seems like at least one of them is on the ice all the time – and usually both on the power play. For a goalie they're great.

**With the injuries to Bryzgalov, you've had to play a lot more games than you expected. Has that fatigued you at all?**

A bit, but I'm pretty happy the way my body has been keeping up. I've been playing a lot of games, more than I've probably ever played in the past. I've been feeling great.

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**How much easier has it been not having to deal with the injuries that plagued you last year?**

It always helps when you don't have to worry about injuries and stuff like that. Last year was frustrating. You're just kind of chasing your tail. You're trying to get your body into form and it's not the way you want it. Mentally, it takes a toll on you. Last year I had just had hip surgery in the offseason, and then that felt the whole year I kind of was battling to recover from that. It was kind of a tough battle, but this past summer I was able to work out like everyone else and try to get stronger and faster. I've been able to play in a lot of games and kind of get into a groove. That's been fun.

**How frustrating was it to have to sit out most of the playoff run last year?**

It was tough, because leading into the playoffs I was playing well. Getting injured right before the playoffs just killed all the momentum. It was frustrating. You're trying to come back, but you don't want to be selfish. You want to make sure you are making the right decisions for the team and for yourself.

**Was it important to you to put on a good face during all of that?**

I try to be a good teammate. I don't want to be a distraction. It was already enough

of a distraction as it was. I was just trying to be supportive of the other guys. They worked hard all year and they deserved to have success.

**Did you feel like you really had to prove yourself again this season?**

This is a big year for me. Obviously, it's the last year on my contract and I'm probably going to be a free agent at the end of the year. I'm just trying to do my job and focus on making saves. I'm not sure what the future holds for me. But I love playing here and I love living here. This team is going to be good for the next 5 to 10 years. I think we have so many young guys that are tremendous, very talented. And then we have Niedermayer and Pronger for the next 4 or 5 years. So for a goalie you'd be crazy not to want to play here. My wife and I just love it here.

**How important is it for you to get back to the Finals after coming so close in '03?**

Like any other player, it's a dream. We came so close to winning it in 2003 and made a nice run last year. At this point, I'll do anything to win a Cup.

**Would you trade your Conn Smythe Trophy for one?**

Any day. ■

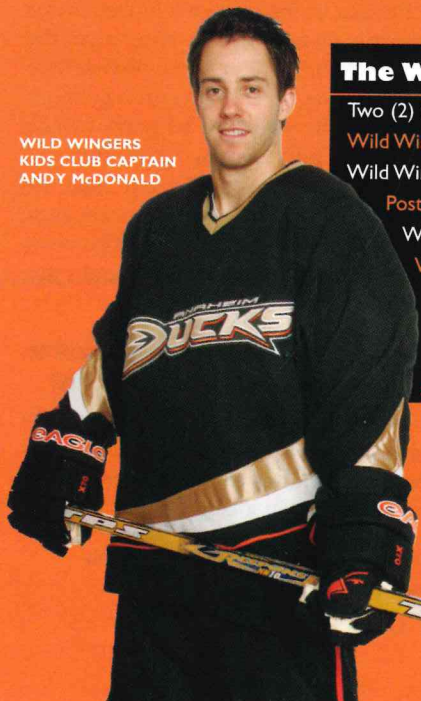
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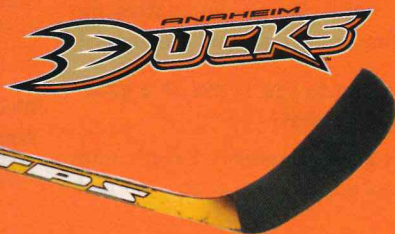
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For those who don't have a lot of experience watching hockey, it can be a complicated game. Even for those who have seen their share of hockey in person or on TV, there is always more to learn about the game.

In the last couple of editions of What to Watch For, we have focused on particular aspects of the game, like the power play or faceoffs. But now let's get back to basics and give you tips on What to Watch For, no matter what level hockey fan you might be.

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➤ You don't necessarily have to watch the puck all the time. The action away from the puck is often more interesting than the



# What to Watch For

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play immediately around it. One key to scoring goals requires players to get open to receive passes and then work themselves into better scoring

positions. But to accomplish this, skating at top speed isn't always the best strategy.

Notice how potential pass receivers often adjust their speed to get into an area where they are open for a pass. If a player is carrying the puck, notice how sometimes they'll slow down to allow a teammate to sprint into the open. Watch the puck when it is about to be shot on goal, but if you can train your eyes to see what is going on away from the puck, you'll start to get a sense of how plays develop.

➤ There is an old expression in hockey: "Win the battles for possession of loose pucks and you'll win the war."





Hockey is a possession game; you cannot score unless you possess the puck. See if you can see how players battle for loose pucks by subtly interfering with opponents (while trying not to commit a penalty) so that their teammates have time to get to a loose puck.

➤ You are only allowed to body check an opponent when he has possession of the puck, or within a second after they have lost or given up possession. Good timing and great balance are required to throw a good body check. Watch how the hitter waits until the last second before he explodes into the person he is trying to hit. Of course to really appreciate this, here is a reminder to try not to get mesmerized by watching the puck!



### For More Experienced Hockey Fans

➤ One thing to look for that happens often in a game is the “chip play.” This is where an attacking player approaching a defender at his blue line will often shoot the puck off the boards nearest to the defender and then chase after it himself. This is a strategy that has become very effective since the NHL cracked down on hooking and holding fouls.

In the past, the defender would have just stuck his stick out and prevented the attacking player from skating after the puck. Now that this is not allowed (interference penalty),

the attacking player can use his speed as an effective way to recover possession. If the attacking player's speed exceeds that of the retreating defending player, the chance of recovering the puck is excellent.



### For Hard Core Hockey Fans

➤ Pay attention to the personnel

matchups. When the Ducks play at home, Coach Randy Carlyle has the last change after a whistle. This means he can wait for the opposing coach to put his players on the ice first, and then match up his players accordingly. He likely will put his top checking forwards and his most

effective defensemen on the ice to oppose the top scorers of the visiting team. Usually that means Samuel Pahlsson's line or Todd Marchant's line will play against the opponent's top scorer. Watch also for what defense pairing the coach selects to play against them too.

What is also interesting is that matchups change during the game according to the score and according to how successful they have been working out. Lines will also be changed on the fly to get or avoid certain matchups. This chess match between coaches is fun to watch, and it's also interesting to speculate why coaches change match up strategies throughout a game.



➤ Watch for defensemen “fronting” the puck, where they stand in front of the opponent and act as another goalie. That makes getting shots through to the net even more difficult. Certain teams do it all the time (especially on the penalty kill), some hardly ever. But it's interesting to see what defensive tactic different teams will use, and to evaluate how effective “fronting” the puck is working for them.

BRIAN HAYWARD *has been a television analyst with the Ducks since the team began play in the 1993-94 season. In addition to his work with the Ducks, he also calls games for NBC and was one of the network's analyst during its coverage of men's hockey at last year's Winter Olympics. Hayward was a goalie for 11 seasons with the Winnipeg Jets, Montreal Canadiens, Minnesota North Stars and San Jose Sharks.* ■





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**Assist:** the pass or passes which immediately precede a successful scoring attempt; a maximum of two assists are credited for one goal.

**Attacking Zone:** the area between the opponents' blue line and their goal.

**Blue Lines:** two blue, 12-inch wide lines running parallel across the ice, each 60 feet from the goal; they divide the rink into three zones called the attacking, defending and neutral (or center) zones; defending blue line is the line closer to a player's own net; attacking blue line is the one farther from his net; used in determining offside.

**Body Check:** when a hockey player bumps or slams into an opponent with either his hip or shoulder (the only legal moves) to block his progress or throw him off-balance; it is only allowed against an opponent in control of the puck or against the last player to control it.

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# Hockey Glossary

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**Breakaway:** a fast break in which an attacker with the puck skates in alone on the goalie, having gotten past or clear of the defensemen, trapping the opponents behind the play.

**Center:** the center player in the forward line who usually leads his team's attack when they are trying to score a goal; he takes part in most of the face-offs; he controls the puck and tries to score or pass it to a teammate who is in a better position to score a goal.

**Center Ice:** the area between the two blue lines, also called the neutral zone.

**Center Line:** a red, 12-inch wide line across the ice midway between the two goals.

**Check or Checking:** any contact initiated by a defending player against an opponent to get the puck away from him or slow him down; there are two main types of checks: stick check and body check; these are only allowed against a player in control of the puck or against the last player to control it immediately after he gives it up; checking after too many steps or strides becomes charging.

**Clearing the Puck:** getting the puck out of one's own defensive zone.

**Defensemen:** two players who make up a team's defensive unit usually stationed in or near their defensive zone to help the goalie guard against attack; sometimes they lead an attack. The left defenseman covers the left half of the rink, the right defenseman plays to the right, but they can skate into each other's territory.

**Deke or Deking:** a decoying or faking motion by the puck-carrier; the art of making a defensive player think you are going to pass or move in a certain direction when you are not. There are shoulder dekes, stick dekes and head dekes.

**Delayed Whistle or Delayed Call:** when an official raises his arm but does not blow his whistle, waiting to see the outcome of a play before calling a penalty; this is done so as not to penalize the nonoffending team by stopping its momentum.

**Double Minor:** a type of minor penalty given for certain accidental infractions that result in an injury to another player or for certain deliberate attempts to injure an opponent that are unsuccessful; penalty time of 4 minutes is served, double the time of a normal minor penalty.

**Empty-Net Goal:** a goal scored against a team that has pulled the goalie.

**Face-Off:** the method of starting play; the dropping of the puck by the official between the sticks of two opposing players standing one stick length apart with stick blades flat on the ice; used to begin each period or to resume play when it has stopped for other reasons.

**Face-Off Circles and Spots:** the various circular spots on the ice where an official and two players will hold a face-off to begin or to resume the action of the game; there is one blue face-off circle and four red face-off spots located in the neutral zone; two red faceoff circles are found at each end of the ice.

**Forecheck:** to check or harass an opponent who has the puck in his defensive zone and keep the opponents in their end of the rink while trying to regain control of the puck; usually done by the forwards.

**Forward Line or Attacking Line:** consists of two wings (right and left) and a center; these three players play nearer the opponent's goal and are responsible for most of the scoring.

**Forwards:** the three players who make up the attacking line or forward line of a team — the center and the right and left wings.

**Freeze the Puck:** to hold the puck against the boards with the skate or stick in order to stop play briefly or gain a face-off. Also refers to when a goalie holds the puck until the whistle blows.

**Full Strength:** when a team has its full complement of 6 players on the ice.



**Goal Crease:** a semi-circular area with a 6 foot radius in front of the opening of the goal; denotes the playing area of the goaltender within which attacking players must not obstruct his movement or vision.

**Goal Line:** the two-inch red line between the goalposts that stretches in both directions to the sideboards  
**Goalkeeper, Goalie or Goaltender:** the heavily padded player who guards the goal; prevents opponents from scoring by stopping the puck any way he can.

**Hat Trick:** three or more goals scored by a player in one game.

**Icing:** the puck is shot from behind the red center line across the opponent's goal line into the end of the rink, and a member of the opposing team (aside from the goalie) touches it first.

**Line Change:** the entire forward line and/or defensive line will be replaced at once, which puts players on the ice who work well together.

**Major Penalty:** a type of individual penalty called for more serious infractions of the rules; of 5 minutes in duration whether or not the non-penalized team scores.

**Minor Penalty:** a type of penalty lasting 2 minutes; if the non-penalized team scores a power play goal during this time, the penalty ends immediately.

**Neutral Zone:** the area between the blue lines.

**Offside:** a violation which occurs when both skates of an attacking player cross the opponent's blue line before the puck is passed or carried into the attacking zone; also called when a player passes the puck from his defending zone to a teammate across the red center line (two-line pass); this is one of the most common calls made in a hockey game and results in a face-off.

**Overtime:** an additional period of play used to break a tie, where the first team to score wins; if both teams are tied after the five-minute overtime, a shootout occurs.

**Overtime Loss:** the result for a team that loses a game in overtime or a shootout that was tied after regulation; this category was created starting with the 1999-2000 season and is worth 1 point in the standings.

**Penalty:** punishment of a player for a violation of the rules, resulting in suspension from the game for a period of time; 6 types exist: minor, bench, major, misconduct, match and goalkeeper's penalties.

**Penalty Box:** an area with a bench just off the ice, behind the sideboards outside the playing area where penalized players serve their penalty time.

**Penalty Killer:** a player expert at backchecking and keeping or gaining control of a loose puck under difficult circumstances who is trained to break up a power play when his team is shorthanded.

**Points:** the left and right positions taken by the defensemen of the attacking team, just inside the blue line of the attacking zone; also the term used to describe the defensemen playing at this location; also an individual statistic for players equal to their goals plus assists; also a team statistic used to determine team standings (2 points for each win and 1 point for each tie or overtime loss during the regular season).

**Power Play:** an attack by a team at full strength against a team playing one man (or two men) shorthanded because of a penalty (or penalties) which resulted in a player on the opposing team receiving penalty-box time.

**Pulling the Goalie:** taking the goalkeeper off the ice and replacing him with a forward; leaves the goal unguarded so is only used as a last minute attempt to score.

**Rebound:** a puck that bounces off the goalie's body or equipment.

**Save:** the act of a goalie in blocking or stopping a shot.

**Shorthanded:** a team with one or more players off the ice in the penalty box when the opponent has its full complement of 6 players; also a power play for the other team.

**Shot On Goal (SOG):** a scoring attempt that would enter the goal if not stopped by a goalie; results in either a goal or a save.

**Slap Shot:** a shot in which the player raises his stick in a backswing, with his strong hand held low on the shaft and his other hand on the end as a pivot. Then as the stick comes down toward the puck, the player leans into the stick to put all his power behind the shot and add velocity to the puck; achieves an extremely high speed (up to 120 miles per hour) but is less accurate than a wrist shot.

**Substitution:** occurs when a player comes off the bench to replace a player coming out of the game; can be made at any time and play does not need to stop.

**Wings:** two players who flank the center on his right and left sides and, with him, make up the attacking unit or forward line.

**Wrist Shot:** a shot made using a strong flicking of the wrist and forearm muscles, with the stick blade kept on the ice; it is slower but more accurate than a slap shot.

**Zones:** three areas made up by the two blue lines; the attacking zone is the area farthest from the goal a player is defending; the neutral zone is the central area; the defending zone is the area where a player's goal is (the goal where his team's goalie is stationed). ■

# COACHING STAFF



**Randy Carlyle**  
Head Coach

**R**ANDY CARLYLE is in his second season as Head Coach of the Anaheim Ducks. He was named the seventh Head Coach in team history on August 1, 2005.

In his first year as a Head Coach in the NHL, Carlyle led the Ducks to playoff series wins vs. Calgary (seven games) and Colorado (four games), before the club fell in the Conference Finals to Edmonton (five games). Anaheim's playoff run followed the best regular season performance in team history, when the club set team records in wins (43), points (98) and goals scored (251).

On Jan. 13, 2006, the Ducks were in 10th place in the Western Conference with a record of 19-16-7, eight points out of the eighth and final playoff spot. Behind Carlyle, the Ducks rallied to finish sixth in the Western Conference, recording a 24-11-5 mark over the last 40 games. The Ducks became just the fourth NHL team to qualify for the playoffs when trailing the eighth-place position by eight points-or-more anytime after Jan. 1.

Carlyle, 50, spent the 2004-05 season as Head Coach of the Manitoba Moose, Vancouver's primary development affiliate in the American Hockey League (AHL). In 2004-2005, he led Manitoba to a 44-26-3 record (.613 winning percentage) and an appearance in the Calder Cup Semi-Finals.

In all, Carlyle spent six seasons (1996-01 & 2004-05) as Head Coach in Manitoba (both in the International and American Hockey Leagues), earning a career mark of 222-159-52-7 with the franchise. He had the additional duties of General Manager of the Moose from 1996-2000, adding the title of club President for the 2001-02 season. The Sudbury, Ontario, native helped the Moose to a 47-21-14 record for 108 points in 1998-99, for which he was named the IHL's General Manager of the Year.

Following the 2001-02 season, Carlyle joined the coaching staff of the Washington Capitals. He served as an Assistant Coach with Washington for two years (2002-04), helping the organization return to the Stanley Cup Playoffs in his first season there, before rejoining Manitoba in 2004-2005.

Carlyle played 17 seasons in the NHL with Toronto, Pittsburgh and Winnipeg. He appeared in 1,055 games and earned 148-499=647 points. Known as a fiery, tough-nosed defenseman, he was selected to play in four NHL All-Star Games, winning the Norris Trophy as the league's top defenseman in 1981. He set a career high with 82 points in 1980-81, appearing in 76 games with Pittsburgh that season. In all, Carlyle had five seasons in which he topped the 50-point plateau. He appeared in 69 NHL postseason games as a player, earning 9-24=33 points.

At the conclusion of his playing career in 1993, Carlyle remained with the Winnipeg organization's hockey operations staff, eventually becoming an Assistant Coach for the 1995-96 season.

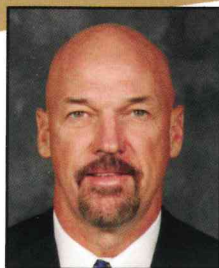
Randy and his wife, Corey, have three children, sons Craig (22) and Derek (20), as well as daughter, Alexis (10). The family resides in Yorba Linda. ■

## RANDY CARLYLE'S HEAD COACHING RECORD

| Season                    | Team       | League | GP         | REGULAR SEASON      |            |           | *OTR      | PTS        | PLAYOFFS |           |
|---------------------------|------------|--------|------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|
|                           |            |        |            | W                   | L          | T         |           |            | W        | L         |
| 1995-96                   | Winnipeg   | NHL    |            | — Assistant Coach — |            |           |           |            |          |           |
| 1996-97                   | Manitoba   | IHL    |            | — Assistant Coach — |            |           |           |            |          |           |
|                           | Manitoba   | IHL    | 32         | 16                  | 14         | NA        | 2         | 34         | —        | —         |
| 1997-98                   | Manitoba   | IHL    | 82         | 39                  | 36         | NA        | 7         | 85         | 0        | 3         |
| 1998-99                   | Manitoba   | IHL    | 82         | 47                  | 21         | NA        | 14        | 108        | 2        | 3         |
| 1999-2000                 | Manitoba   | IHL    | 82         | 37                  | 31         | NA        | 14        | 88         | 0        | 2         |
| 2000-2001                 | Manitoba   | IHL    | 82         | 39                  | 31         | NA        | 12        | 90         | 6        | 7         |
| 2002-2003                 | Washington | NHL    |            | — Assistant Coach — |            |           |           |            |          |           |
| 2003-2004                 | Washington | NHL    |            | — Assistant Coach — |            |           |           |            |          |           |
| 2004-2005                 | Manitoba   | AHL    | 80         | 44                  | 26         | 7         | 3         | 98         | 8        | 6         |
| 2005-2006                 | Anaheim    | NHL    | 82         | 43                  | 27         | NA        | 12        | 98         | 9        | 7         |
| <b>NHL Totals/Anaheim</b> |            |        | <b>82</b>  | <b>43</b>           | <b>27</b>  | <b>NA</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>98</b>  | <b>9</b> | <b>7</b>  |
| <b>AHL Totals</b>         |            |        | <b>80</b>  | <b>44</b>           | <b>26</b>  | <b>7</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>98</b>  | <b>8</b> | <b>6</b>  |
| <b>IHL Totals</b>         |            |        | <b>360</b> | <b>178</b>          | <b>133</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>  | <b>405</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>15</b> |

\*Overtime Results: 1996-1997 to 1998-1999: Shootout Loss; 1999-2000: Shootout Points; 2000-2001: Overtime Points; 2004-2006: Overtime/Shootout Loss





**Dave Farrish**  
Assistant Coach

**D**AVE FARRISH is in his second season as a Ducks Assistant Coach. He was named to his current post on August 9, 2005. Farrish, 50, joined the organization after one season (2004-05) with the Pensacola Ice Pilots of the ECHL. Farrish served as Head Coach and Vice President of Hockey Operations, leading the club to the league's best record (51-16-5, a .743 winning percentage).

A native of Lucknow, Ontario, Farrish brings 16 years of coaching experience to the Ducks' bench. Farrish has served as Head Coach of 1,027 professional hockey games between the American Hockey League (AHL), International Hockey League (IHL) and the ECHL, compiling a record of 520-402-83-22.

Before joining Pensacola, he led the Louisiana IceGators (ECHL) to four consecutive division championships from 2000-01 to 2003-04. After leading the IceGators to a 56-12-4 record in 2001-02, Farrish was named the ECHL Coach of the Year.

Prior to his time in the ECHL, he was the Head Coach of the Springfield Falcons of the AHL from 1997-98 to 1999-2000, compiling a record of 113-96-27. From 1993-94 to 1996-97, Farrish served as Head Coach in the IHL with the Salt Lake City Golden Eagles (1993-94) and Fort Wayne Komets (1995-96 and 1996-97).

Farrish began his coaching career with Moncton of the AHL in 1989-90, where he coached until joining the New Jersey Devils as an Assistant Coach under Herb Brooks for the 1992-93 season. Including the Devils, Farrish's teams have qualified for postseason play in 13 of his 16 seasons.

Farrish played seven seasons (1976-77 to 1983-84) in the NHL as a defenseman with Toronto, Quebec and the New York Rangers. In 430 regular season games, he recorded 17-110=127 points. Farrish was originally drafted by the Rangers in the second round (24th overall) of the 1976 NHL Amateur Draft.

Dave and his wife, Roxanne, reside in Anaheim Hills. ■



**Newell Brown**  
Assistant Coach

**N**EWELL BROWN was named an Assistant Coach on August 17, 2005. Brown rejoined the organization in August of 2005 after spending four seasons with the Columbus Blue Jackets as an Associate Coach. The Cornwall, Ontario native served as an Assistant Coach for the Ducks in the 1998-99 and 1999-2000 seasons.

Brown has over 18 years of coaching experience at the NCAA, American Hockey League (AHL) and NHL levels. Prior to his original stint with Anaheim, Brown was an Assistant Coach with the Chicago Blackhawks for two seasons, 1996-98.

Before joining the NHL ranks, Brown spent four seasons in the Detroit Red Wings organization as Head Coach of the Adirondack Red Wings, Detroit's AHL affiliate. He also served as Head Coach of Michigan Tech University from 1990-92 and was an assistant at his alma mater, Michigan State University, from 1986-90. He helped the Spartans win back-to-back regular season and tournament titles in 1988-89 and 1989-90.

As a player, Brown spent two seasons with the Cornwall Royals of the Ontario Hockey League in 1978-79 and 1979-80 and helped the Royals win the Memorial Cup in 1979. From 1980-84, Brown played at Michigan State, where he served as team captain in his final three seasons and earned First Team All-CCHA honors in 1982.

Vancouver's sixth pick, 158th overall, in the 1982 NHL Entry Draft, Brown spent one year in the Canucks' organization playing with Fredrick (AHL) and Muskegon (IHL) in 1984-85, before serving as captain of the Canadian National Team in 1985-86.

Newell and his wife, Lori, have a daughter, Erika, and son, Adam. The family resides in Yorba Linda. ■



**Francois Allaire**  
Goaltending Consultant

**F**RANCOIS ALLAIRE is in his 11th season as the Ducks' Goaltending Consultant. Long considered one of hockey's foremost experts on goaltending, Allaire has worked extensively with Ducks' goaltenders over the last eleven years. He helped Guy Hebert become the franchise's first All-Star goaltender (1997 All-Star Game) and under his direction, Jean-Sebastien Giguere has become one of the league's best. Giguere has three times been selected to play for Team Canada at the World Championships (2001, 2002 and 2004) and won the Conn Smythe Trophy as 2003's play-off MVP.

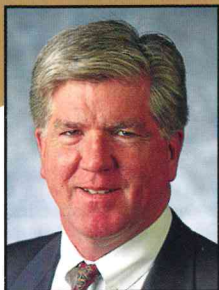
A two-time Stanley Cup Champion, Allaire spent 12 seasons with the Montreal Canadiens organization prior to joining the Ducks. As the team's Goaltending Coach, he helped the club win the Stanley Cup in 1986 & 1993, working with netminder Patrick Roy beginning in 1984-85 until 1995-96. During that period, Roy won two Conn Smythe Trophies, four William Jennings' Trophies, three Vezina Trophies and was named to the league's end of season All-Star Team five times. Roy also appeared in six NHL All-Star Games in that span.

Allaire was also instrumental in developing the Montreal Canadiens young goalies, who won the Happy Holmes Trophy (AHL team with fewest goals against) on four occasions and the Baz Bastien Trophy (AHL's best goaltender) on three occasions.

Throughout his career, Allaire has worked with more than 40 goaltenders that have gone on to sign or play with NHL clubs.

A graduate of the University of Sherbrooke with a degree in physical education, he has also published four books on goaltending, pre-season physical preparation and sports psychology. In 2003, Allaire was named one of the "Top 100 People of Power and Influence" inside the hockey industry by The Hockey News.

The 50-year-old Allaire resides in Boisbriand, Quebec. ■



## **Brian P. Burke**

**Executive Vice President & General Manager**

**B**RIAN BURKE is in his second season with the Anaheim Ducks, having been named Executive Vice President and General Manager on June 20, 2005. Since joining the club, Burke has quickly overhauled much of the club's roster, adding the likes of Scott Niedermayer, Chris Pronger and Teemu Selanne. In just over one year at the helm, Burke has led the Ducks to the 2006 Western Conference Finals and built a team viewed by many as a legitimate 2007 Stanley Cup contender.

Since the 2001-2002 campaign, Burke's teams have qualified for the Stanley Cup playoffs all five seasons, playing in eight total postseason series. In addition, all five of those clubs recorded at least 90+ points, including two 100-point seasons in Vancouver. He was named the Sporting News "Executive of the Year" in 2001, and was named a runner-up for the same award following the 2005-2006 campaign. Burke was also a finalist for The Hockey News "Executive of the Year" last season.

Shortly after taking over GM duties with the Ducks, Burke began to reshape the club's roster and hockey operations staff. Along with Senior Vice President of Hockey Operations Bob Murray and Assistant General Manager David McNab, Burke is designing an on-ice product to produce offensive-minded, aggressive hockey built around speed and physical play.

After naming Randy Carlyle as the club's new head coach in 2005, Burke signed unrestricted free agents Scott Niedermayer and Teemu Selanne. Niedermayer was a finalist for the 2006 Norris Trophy, while Selanne led the team in goals (40) and points (90), winning the Masterton Trophy in the process. Throughout the regular season, Burke continued to make changes to the Anaheim roster. His acquisitions of players such as Francois Beauchemin, Todd Marchant and Sean O'Donnell helped the Ducks surge into the Stanley Cup Playoffs. The Ducks finished the regular season with club records in wins (43), points (98) and goals scored (251), finishing sixth in the Western Conference. The club defeated Calgary in seven games in the first round, swept the Colorado Avalanche in the second round and eventually fell to the Edmonton Oilers in the Western Conference Finals. Just five weeks after a trip to the Conference Finals, Burke swung a massive deal with the Edmonton Oilers, landing standout defenseman Chris Pronger.

Burke joined the Ducks after a six-year stint (1998-2004) as Vancouver Canucks President and General Manager, where he revitalized the team and community en route to consecutive 100+ point seasons and the 2004 Northwest Division title. Under his leadership, the team increased its point total four consecutive years from 1999-2003. With 104 and 101 points respectively in 2002-2003 & 2003-2004, the Canucks joined only Detroit, Ottawa and Philadelphia to record consecutive seasons with at least 100 points. The 03-04 Canucks finished with a record of 43-24-10-5 for 101 points, winning the Northwest Division. The previous season (2002-2003), the Canucks defeated the St. Louis Blues in seven games in the Conference Quarterfinals before falling to the Minnesota Wild in seven games. Burke's 2001-2002 Canucks led the league with 254 goals.

Born in New England and raised in Minnesota, Burke originally joined the Canucks in June, 1987 as Vice President and Director of Hockey Operations. He left the Canucks in 1992 to become General Manager of the Hartford Whalers, where he began rebuilding the club with several player transactions, including the acquisition of Chris Pronger.

Burke, 51, joined the NHL front office as Senior Vice President and Director of Hockey Operations in September of 1993. While at the league office, he served as the chief disciplinarian, ruling on violations for on-ice player conduct. He worked closely with Commissioner Gary Bettman on league direction, including collective bargaining matters. Burke also played a key role in bringing NHL hockey to Japan in October of 1997, as the Ducks played the Canucks twice to open the season in Tokyo.

After earning his Bachelor of Arts in History from Providence College in 1977, Burke signed professionally with the Philadelphia Flyers. He played for the Maine Mariners (Flyers' AHL affiliate) during the 1977-78 season, which culminated in a Calder Cup Championship. He then returned to the classroom and graduated from Harvard Law School in 1981. Burke practiced law in Boston for the next six years, representing professional hockey players until he joined the Canucks in 1987.

In the Fall of 2006, Burke joined the Board of Directors of Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC) Foundation for Children. This past spring, he served as Honorary Co-Chair of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Anaheim Annual Gala with Anaheim Mayor Curt Pringle. In Vancouver, he served on the Board of Directors for Canuck Place, and was a spokesperson for Ducks Unlimited, Canada, Inc. In addition, Burke served as an Adjunct Professor at the British Columbia University School of Law and is a member of the National Sports Law Institute and Sports Lawyers Association.

Brian and his wife Jennifer currently reside in Yorba Linda. He has six children; Katie, Patrick, Brendan, Molly, Mairin and Fiona Grace. ■





## **Michael Schulman**

Chairman of the Board, Anaheim Arena Management, LLC  
CEO, Anaheim Ducks

**M**ICHAEL SCHULMAN serves as Chairman of the Board of Anaheim Arena Management, LLC, (AAM) and Chief Executive Officer of the Anaheim Ducks. His role with Honda Center began near the end of 2003 when he was appointed Chairman of AAM, the new management company of the arena. He became CEO of the Ducks in June of 2005. In these roles, he oversees all operations of Honda Center and the Anaheim Ducks on behalf of the owners, Dr. Henry and Susan Samuelli. He is also Managing Director of the Samuelli Family Office, where he has worked since 2000.

Previously, Schulman was a partner at McDermott, Will & Emery, where he headed the Estate Planning Department for the West Coast. Prior to practicing law, Schulman was an assistant professor of law at the University of Southern California Law Center and a part-time lecturer in estate planning at the University of California, Riverside. He has lectured and published many writings, extensively on tax planning. Schulman is the author of "Applying Valuation Discounts to Wealth Transfer Techniques" and presented this in 1999 to New York University 57th Institute on Federal Taxation.

Schulman serves on the Board of Commercial Capital Bank Corp., a public company listed on the NASDAQ Exchange, as well as on the Board of Telluride Ski and Golf Company. Schulman has been a member of the UCI Foundation Board since 1991 and is on the Board of Directors of the Henry and Susan Samuelli Foundation and the Samuelli Institute for Information Biology.

Schulman earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of California at Berkeley, and a law degree from the University of Santa Clara Law School. He and his wife Sherry live in Laguna Beach with their three children. ■



## **Tim Ryan**

President/Chief Executive Officer, Anaheim Arena Management, LLC  
Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer, Anaheim Ducks

**T**IM RYAN is in his 14th year with Honda Center and 28th in arena management and event creation.

He serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of Anaheim Arena Management, LLC (AAM) and Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Anaheim Ducks. In his role as President and CEO of Honda Center, formerly Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim, Ryan oversees one of the premier entertainment and sports venues in the United States. Most recently, Honda Center was ranked third in the world by *Billboard* magazine in event ticket sales following a blockbuster year in 2005, which included concerts by top acts U2, the Eagles and Paul McCartney.

Through strategic planning, business development and event production, Ryan ensures the arena is active with a variety of first-class events. Under his guidance, the arena has been home to the 2003 World Gymnastics Championships and 2005 World Badminton Championships; the John R. Wooden Classic; four NCAA events, including the first Frozen Four west of the Rocky Mountains; a variety of professional sports teams, including indoor soccer, arena football, indoor lacrosse and much more. Performances by world-renowned musical artists and family shows are also plentiful year after year for the fans of Orange County and Southern California. Since 1993, 23 million fans have been entertained at Honda Center, enjoying more than 2,300 events.

As Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Anaheim Ducks, Ryan oversees all business operations of the professional hockey team. He assumed his current dual roles in June of 2005 when the Ducks were purchased by Dr. Henry and Susan Samuelli, owners of AAM. Under his direction, the club has seen an increase in attendance and sponsorship revenue, while also making a large impact in the community. Ryan spearheaded several initiatives from Owners Henry & Susan Samuelli, including work with several local charitable foundations and an expanded grass-roots marketing program. The Anaheim Ducks are now actively involved in 17 local-area hockey rinks, and are working toward the creation and development of several new rinks to be built in Southern California. In addition, Ryan oversaw the unveiling of the Anaheim Ducks' new name and logo, along with the change in arena title-rights sponsorship – from the Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim to Honda Center.

In 1992, after a long career at the Long Beach Arena, Ryan joined the then Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim as Assistant General Manager. He was promoted to General Manager in 1998 and was named *Pollstar* Magazine Facility Executive of the year for 2001. Near the end of 2003, the management contract for the arena was purchased by Anaheim Arena Management, LLC, and Ryan was named President/CEO of both the company and the arena.

In addition to managing the 19,000-seat arena, Ryan is active in both the entertainment industry and in the local community. He helped to establish ArenaNetwork, an association that strives to increase the volume of business for members. Ryan sits on the Executive Committee for the organization, which has grown to 45 arenas across North America. He also serves on the boards of several non-profit groups including Orangewood Children's Foundation, Special Olympics Southern California and the Tiger Woods Foundation.

Ryan graduated from California State University, Long Beach in 1979 with a Bachelor's Degree in Finance. He lives with his wife Michele in Huntington Beach and enjoys golf, fly-fishing and skiing. ■



## **Bob Murray**

### **Senior Vice President of Hockey Operations**

**B**OB MURRAY is in his second year as Senior Vice President of Hockey Operations, after being named to the post on July 14, 2005. In his role, Murray reports directly to Executive Vice President and General Manager Brian Burke.

Murray's responsibilities include overseeing all aspects of player development, including Anaheim's American Hockey League (AHL) affiliate in Portland, Maine. Murray also has a key role in the club's professional scouting efforts, contract negotiations and all matters relating to the National Hockey League.

In his first year as Senior Vice President of Hockey Operations, Murray was instrumental in the organization's success at both the NHL and AHL level, as both teams made conference final appearances. Anaheim was the only organization in the NHL to have both their NHL and AHL teams advance to their league's respective conference finals.

Prior to joining the Ducks, Murray worked as a Professional Scout with the Vancouver Canucks from 1999 to 2005. Before his stint in Vancouver, he served as a Scouting Consultant for Anaheim during the 1998-99 season.

He was a member of the Chicago Blackhawks organization for 28 years, culminating with three seasons as the team's General Manager. Drafted by the Blackhawks in 1974, Murray spent his entire 1,008-game career in a Chicago uniform. Known for his work ethic, intelligence and determination as a player, Murray remained with the organization as a Professional Scout following his retirement in 1990.

A year later (1991), he was named the Director of Player Personnel with Chicago and was largely responsible for the club's entry draft selections over the next eight seasons.

In 1995, Murray was named the club's Assistant General Manager. He spent two seasons in that role, before being named Chicago's General Manager on July 3, 1997.

Bob and his wife Betsy currently reside in Chicago. He has four children, two boys (Kevin and Andrew) and two girls (Amanda and Kathleen). ■



## **Bob Wagner**

### **Senior Vice President/Chief Marketing Officer, Anaheim Arena Management, LLC & Anaheim Ducks**

**B**OB WAGNER has more than 21 years of experience in sports marketing, primarily in the Southern California market. He is in his third year with Anaheim Arena Management, LLC (AAM). Wagner added a dual role as Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer for both the Anaheim Ducks and Honda Center on June 20, 2005. As such, he leads all aspects of business operations, including broadcasting, sponsorship, ticket sales, marketing, community relations, entertainment, fan development and communications.

Since re-joining the Ducks staff in the summer of 2005, Wagner has negotiated new broadcast agreements with KDOC-TV and AM 830 in expanding game and hockey-related programming in Southern California. He has also secured several new sponsorship agreements and exponentially increased such revenue. In addition, Wagner led the name and uniform change for the team, beginning the process late in 2005 and completing it by June 2006.

In addition to his club responsibilities, Wagner negotiated his fourth title-rights sponsorship deal this past year. After negotiations with several companies bidding on the arena, the Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim officially became Honda Center on Oct. 3, 2006. Earlier in his career, Wagner secured three other title-rights sponsorship agreements: Edison International Field of Anaheim (1998), Powerade (with NHRA, 2001) and Arrowhead Pond of Anaheim (1993).

Wagner started his career in 1977 as a park supervisor with the City of Irvine, managing University Park, before joining Fluor Corporation as a Human Resources Manager. Changing direction in 1984, Wagner joined the sales and marketing team of the then California Angels. After nearly 10 years, he left his position as Director of Sales and Marketing to start the National Hockey League's Mighty Ducks of Anaheim. In 1996, he returned to baseball when Anaheim Sports, Inc., purchased the Angels. In his role as Vice President of Sales & Broadcasting, Wagner successfully built both teams' relationships with local and national partners. As a member of the Ducks inaugural staff, he was charged with launching the sponsorship, advertising and broadcast sales efforts of the expansion team. On the Angels side, he developed and implemented the club's first freestanding, in-mall retail store while designing and bringing to market a new logo and jersey for the club.

In 2000, after 16 years in Anaheim with professional baseball and hockey, Wagner joined the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) as Vice President of Sales and Business Development. He secured title and presenting sponsors for 24 national events, coordinated the sale of broadcast inventory with ESPN and ESPN2 and worked with the marketing department to develop and implement sales and marketing strategies. Four years later, in July of 2004, he returned to Orange County and the Arrowhead Pond as the Vice President & Chief Marketing Officer.

An advocate for the sports and entertainment industry, Wagner has taught sports management courses at the graduate level for four years, three with University of San Francisco at its satellite campus in Orange and one with California State University, Long Beach. He serves on the Steering Committee of the National Sports Forum and is a member of the Advisory Board for Long Beach State University's Sports management program. In addition, Wagner is a member of the board at the Newport Beach Sports Museum and the Anaheim Prep Sports/Activities Foundation.

A California State University, Long Beach graduate and native of Seal Beach, California, he currently resides in Dove Canyon with his wife, Debbie, and their three children, Ryan, Amanda and Nick. ■



Winger Teemu Selanne will be honored tonight for his 1,000th career game, which he played December 29 in Carolina. During a pregame ceremony, Selanne will be presented with several gifts from players, including a painting by artist Samantha Wendell that reflects his career in the NHL.

It was fitting that the 36-year-old Selanne scored two goals in his 1,000th game, since he has led the Ducks in scoring for much of the season and is among the NHL leaders in several statistical categories. It was the sixth multiple-goal game of the season and the 100th of his career. (He added another two nights later in Minnesota.) Selanne ranks second in Ducks history in goals, assists and points, and is the Ducks' all-time leader with 48 game-winning goals.

Of those 1,000 games in the league, 515 were with Anaheim, where he played from 1996 through 2001 and again from 2005 to the present. He began his career in Winnipeg and spent time in San Jose and Colorado before returning to the Ducks.

"One thousand games in this league is a lot of games," Selanne said. "I feel so lucky that I've been able to play for so many years, and with so many great teammates."

Selanne became the 17th European-born player and the third from Finland, following Jari Kurri and Teppo Numminen, to appear in 1,000 NHL games.

"It's a tribute to not only his ability to play the game at a very high level, but his commitment to conditioning," said Ducks head coach Randy Carlyle. Selanne underwent knee surgery prior to last season, and responded with 40 goals and 50 assists. He is on pace to surpass those figures this season.

Tonight's ceremony may be a familiar sight to Ducks fans who attended the December 6 game against Nashville, when Scott Niedermayer was honored for his 1,000th game.

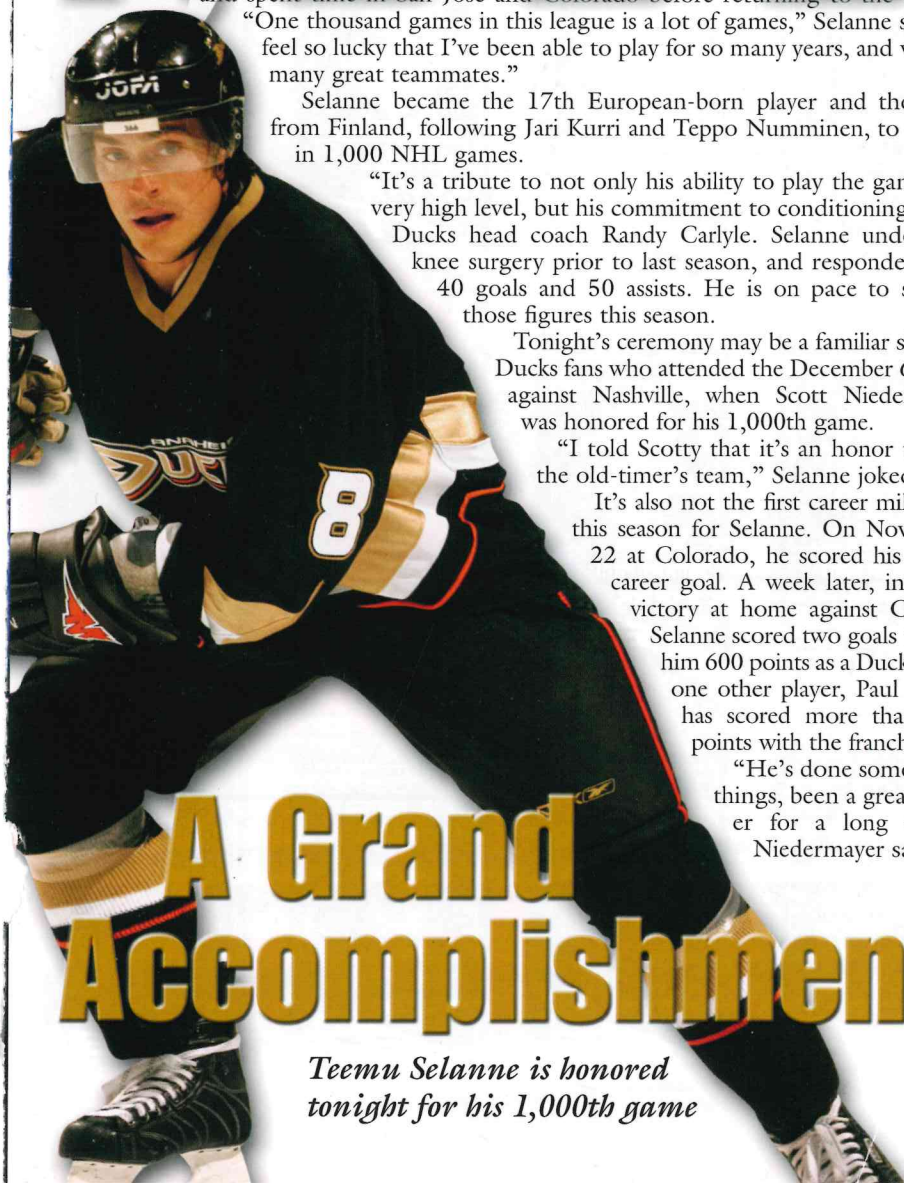
"I told Scotty that it's an honor to join the old-timer's team," Selanne joked.

It's also not the first career milestone this season for Selanne. On November 22 at Colorado, he scored his 500th career goal. A week later, in a 5-3 victory at home against Calgary, Selanne scored two goals to give him 600 points as a Duck. Only one other player, Paul Kariya has scored more than 600 points with the franchise.

"He's done some great things, been a great player for a long time," Niedermayer said. ■

# A Grand Accomplishment

*Teemu Selanne is honored tonight for his 1,000th game*





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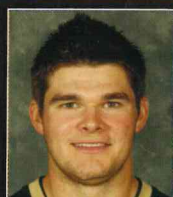
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RW 6-0/201

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Corey Perry  
RW 6-3/201

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Chris Kunitz  
LW 6-0/198

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Ryan Getzlaf  
C/RW 6-4/211

**15**



Todd Marchant  
C 5-10/176

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Samuel Pahlsson  
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Scott Niedermayer  
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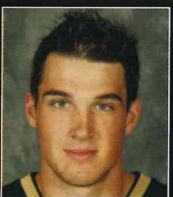
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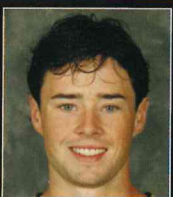
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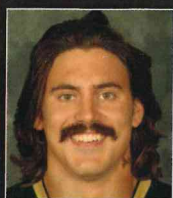
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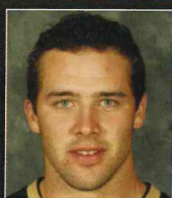
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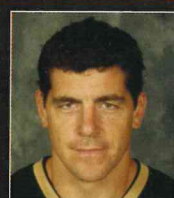
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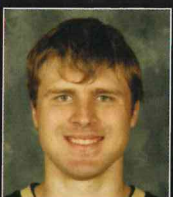
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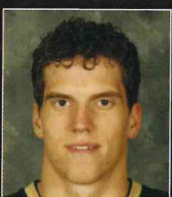
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Ilya Bryzgalov  
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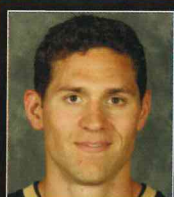
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Travis Moen  
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Joe DiPenta  
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Travis Green  
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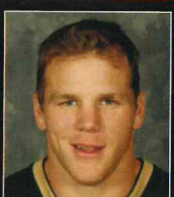
Kent Huskins  
D 6-3/217

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Rob Niedermayer  
LW 6-2/201

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Shawn Thornton  
RW 6-1/209

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## Anaheim Ducks Roster

*As of January 2*

| No. | NAME              | HT   | WT  | POS  | BIRTHPLACE                   | BIRTHDATE       |
|-----|-------------------|------|-----|------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| 8   | Teemu Selanne     | 6-0  | 201 | RW   | Helsinki, Finland            | July 3, 1970    |
| 10  | Corey Perry       | 6-3  | 201 | RW   | Peterborough, Ontario        | May 16, 1985    |
| 14  | Chris Kunitz      | 6-0  | 198 | LW   | Regina, Saskatchewan         | Sept. 26, 1979  |
| 15  | Ryan Getzlaf      | 6-4  | 211 | C/RW | Regina, Saskatchewan         | May 10, 1985    |
| 16  | George Parros     | 6-5  | 232 | RW   | Washington, Pennsylvania     | Dec. 29, 1979   |
| 17  | Dustin Penner     | 6-4  | 245 | LW   | Winkler, Manitoba            | Sept. 28, 1982  |
| 19  | Andy McDonald     | 5-11 | 185 | C    | Strathroy, Ontario           | August 25, 1977 |
| 21  | Sean O'Donnell    | 6-2  | 231 | D    | Ottawa, Ontario              | Oct. 31, 1971   |
| 22  | Todd Marchant     | 5-10 | 176 | C    | Buffalo, New York            | August 12, 1973 |
| 26  | Samuel Pahlsson   | 6-0  | 205 | C    | Ornskoldsvik, Sweden         | Dec. 17, 1977   |
| 27  | Scott Niedermayer | 6-1  | 198 | D    | Edmonton, Alberta            | August 31, 1973 |
| 29  | Sebastien Caron   | 6-1  | 170 | G    | Amqui, Quebec                | June 25, 1980   |
| 30  | Ilya Bryzgalov    | 6-3  | 209 | G    | Togliatti, Russia            | June 22, 1980   |
| 31  | Michael Wall      | 6-2  | 204 | G    | Telkwa, B.C.                 | July 25, 1985   |
| 32  | Travis Moen       | 6-2  | 211 | LW   | Stewart Valley, Saskatchewan | April 6, 1982   |
| 33  | Joe DiPenta       | 6-2  | 197 | D    | Barrie, Ontario              | Feb. 25, 1979   |
| 34  | Aaron Rome        | 6-1  | 204 | D    | Brandon, Manitoba            | Sept. 26, 1983  |
| 35  | J.S. Giguere      | 6-1  | 201 | G    | Montreal, Quebec             | May 16, 1977    |
| 37  | Shane O'Brien     | 6-2  | 228 | D    | Port Hope, Ontario           | August 9, 1983  |
| 38  | Ryan Shannon      | 5-9  | 170 | C    | Darien, Connecticut          | March 2, 1983   |
| 39  | Travis Green      | 6-1  | 204 | C    | Castlegar, British Columbia  | Dec. 20, 1970   |
| 40  | Kent Huskins      | 6-3  | 217 | D    | Ottawa, Ontario              | May 4, 1979     |
| 44  | Rob Niedermayer   | 6-2  | 201 | LW   | Cassiar, British Columbia    | Dec. 28, 1974   |
| 45  | Shawn Thornton    | 6-1  | 209 | RW   | Oshawa, Ontario              | July 23, 1977   |

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# TONIGHT'S OPPONENT

## Columbus Blue Jackets

Tonight is the first meeting of the season between the Ducks and Blue Jackets, who will play each other three more times. Columbus went into Wednesday



night's game at Los Angeles with a 15-20-4 record, fourth in the Central Division and tied for 12th in the Western Conference.

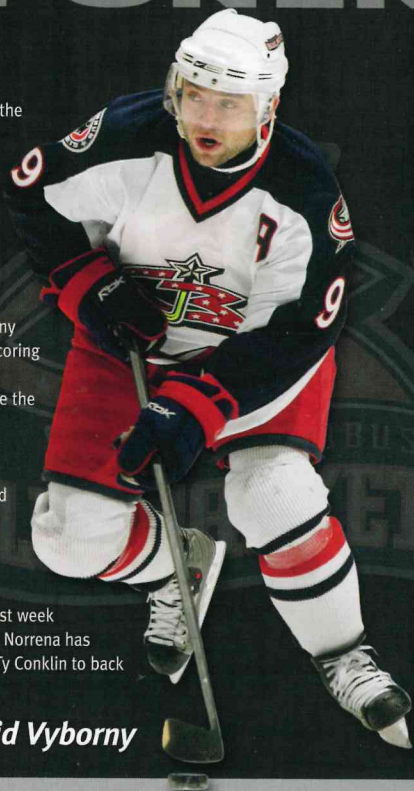
Right wing David Vyborny leads the Blue Jackets in scoring

with 36 points (10 goals and 26 assists) going into Wednesday night. Rick Nash and Sergei Fedorov share the team lead in goals with 13.

Fedorov spent parts of two seasons with Anaheim before he was traded in November of last season. Former Blue Jacket Francois Beauchemin was acquired by the Ducks in that deal and Todd Marchant was picked up on waivers from Columbus a week later. Beauchemin is out with an injury, while Marchant's availability for tonight is uncertain.

Regular goalie Pascal Leclaire had knee surgery last week and is expected to be out for about six weeks. Fredrik Norrena has become the starter and Columbus recently called up Ty Conklin to back him up.

### David Vyborny



| NO. | NAME                   | POS | HT   | WT  | BIRTHPLACE                   | BIRTHDATE |
|-----|------------------------|-----|------|-----|------------------------------|-----------|
| 2   | Anders Eriksson        | D   | 6-2  | 220 | Bollnas, Sweden              | 1/9/75    |
| 6   | Ron Hainsey            | D   | 6-3  | 211 | Bolton, Connecticut          | 3/24/81   |
| 9   | David Vyborny          | RW  | 5-10 | 189 | Jihlava, Czechoslovakia      | 1/22/75   |
| 10  | Duvie Westcott         | D   | 5-11 | 197 | Winnipeg, Manitoba           | 10/30/77  |
| 13  | Nikolai Zherdev        | RW  | 6-2  | 197 | Kiev, USSR                   | 11/5/84   |
| 16  | Alexander Svitov       | C   | 6-3  | 228 | Omsk, USSR                   | 11/3/82   |
| 17  | Gilbert Brule          | C   | 5-10 | 180 | Edmonton, Alberta            | 1/1/87    |
| 25  | Jason Chimera          | LW  | 6-2  | 206 | Edmonton, Alberta            | 5/2/79    |
| 27  | Manny Malhotra         | C   | 6-2  | 215 | Mississauga, Ontario         | 5/18/80   |
| 30  | Fredrik Norrena        | G   | 6-0  | 189 | Pietarsaari, Finland         | 11/29/74  |
| 33  | Fredrik Modin          | LW  | 6-4  | 220 | Sundsvall, Sweden            | 10/8/74   |
| 35  | Ty Conklin             | G   | 6-0  | 184 | Anchorage, Alaska            | 3/30/76   |
| 44  | Aaron Johnson          | D   | 6-0  | 211 | Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia | 4/30/83   |
| 45  | Jody Shelley           | LW  | 6-4  | 230 | Thompson, Manitoba           | 2/7/76    |
| 49  | Dan Fritsche           | C   | 6-1  | 198 | Parma, Ohio                  | 7/13/85   |
| 52  | Adam Foote             | D   | 6-2  | 220 | Toronto, Ontario             | 7/10/71   |
| 55  | Ole-Kristian Tollefsen | D   | 6-2  | 211 | Oslo, Norway                 | 3/29/84   |
| 61  | Rick Nash              | LW  | 6-4  | 215 | Brampton, Ontario            | 6/16/84   |
| 91  | Sergei Fedorov         | C   | 6-2  | 206 | Pskov, USSR                  | 12/13/69  |
| 97  | Rostislav Klesla       | D   | 6-3  | 216 | Novy Jicin, Czechoslovakia   | 3/21/82   |

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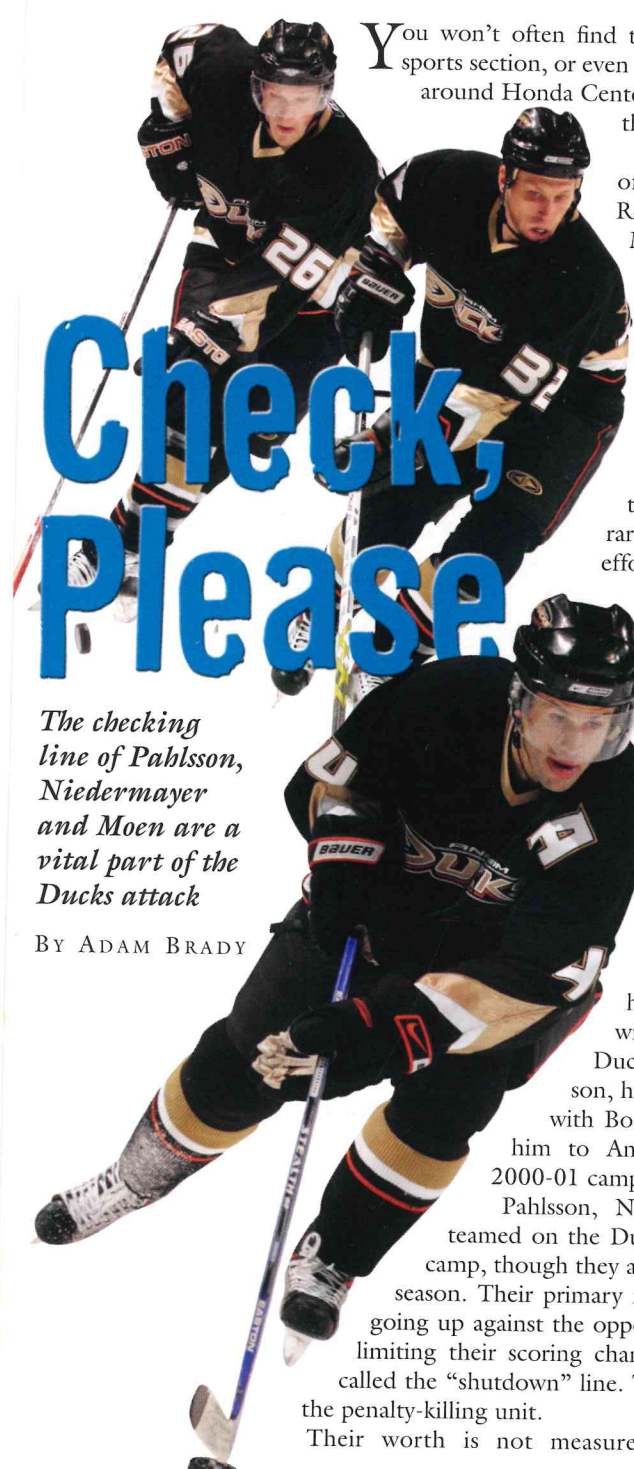
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You won't often find them on the front page of the sports section, or even the box score, and few fans walk around Honda Center in jerseys with their names on the back.

Yet the Ducks checking line of forwards Samuel Pahlsson, Rob Niedermayer and Travis Moen are just as vital to the team's success as the guys who fill the nets with pucks.

"They don't always get the headlines when the team has had success or lack of it," says head coach Randy Carlyle, "but they have been at the forefront of our group. We put that group together and they've rarely disappointed us with their effort and their ability. They do the workmanlike responsibilities night in and night out."

Both Niedermayer and Pahlsson were a part of the Ducks team that lost to New Jersey in seven games in the 2003 Stanley Cup Finals. Moen joined the team prior to last season after spending his rookie year playing all 82 games in Chicago. Niedermayer is the elder statesman of the group, having played 14 NHL seasons with Florida, Calgary and the Ducks. Pahlsson is in his sixth season, having played his first 17 games with Boston before the Bruins traded him to Anaheim midway through the 2000-01 campaign.

Pahlsson, Niedermayer and Moen have teamed on the Ducks fourth line since training camp, though they all played together at times last season. Their primary responsibility revolves around going up against the opponent's top offensive line and limiting their scoring chances, which is why it's often called the "shutdown" line. They also each spend time on the penalty-killing unit.

Their worth is not measured in statistics, aside from

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*The checking line of Pahlsson, Niedermayer and Moen are a vital part of the Ducks attack*

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plus/minus stat that indicates how often they were on the ice for Ducks goals in contrast to goals against. "At the end of the night," Niedermayer says, "if we're at even or plus, we know we've done our jobs. That's all we need."

You want stats? Since the checking line typically matches up against the opponent's top line, that means they have to help stop several marquee, high-scoring forwards. In a month-long stretch starting on Nov. 6, the Ducks held Pittsburgh's Sidney Crosby, Calgary's Jarome Iginla, San Jose's Joe Thornton, Nashville's Paul Kariya, Colorado's Joe Sakic and Washington's Alexander Ovechkin to exactly one point combined (an Ovechkin assist). That work was the culmination of the Ducks defensemen and the forwards on that checking line.

"We have to be a line that doesn't have any turnovers because we're usually going against the other team's top line," Niedermayer says. "We just try and wear them down, play smart and always be in position. That's what we concentrate on."

In the offensive end, their concentration also revolves around constant forechecking (or keeping the puck in the offensive zone) which makes for extra work for the opposing

defense. That in turn creates opportunities for the Ducks scorers when they step onto the ice.

"We want to keep the puck in their end," says Pahlsson. "That's where we can score or set up other guys to score."

Adds Carlyle, "Our game is predi-

*Moen: "When you're out there in the last minute of a game, holding a lead, it's exciting"*



*Niedermayer: "We just try and wear them down, play smart and always be in position. That's what we concentrate on."*



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cated on the ability to have a strong forecheck. We feel we have the size and numbers of people with size to create a grinding type of game in the offensive zone, forcing defensemen to play extra minutes in the defensive zone. All those things culminate into a hockey club that has to play that way to have success. And those three are at the forefront of that."

That's not to say they don't do some scoring themselves. Last year Niedermayer had 15 goals, while Pahlsson had 11 and is on pace to surpass that this year. Moen had only four in an injury-abbreviated 2005-06 season, and has already matched that this year. While the guys who actually score the goals may get the cheers, the headlines and the Sportscenter highlights, the checking line is what helps make that happen.

"Everyone wants to score a lot," Pahlsson admits. "The best thing you can do in hockey is score goals. But we all play a role and take pride in that role. The first thing we want to do is win, and we need a little bit of everything to win."

Says Moen, "It's nice to score goals, but we all have a role on the team and all three of us enjoy that. That's part of what makes us successful. It would be nice to score 30 or 40 a year, but we have to leave that to our top line."

Adds Niedermayer, "Of course it's nice to be recognized, but the first thing it to win games."

And that they have done this season. Ask any of the Ducks why they have been so successful and they point to the value of every player on the roster knowing his responsibility and thriving in it. From the shoot-first forwards to the passers to the scoring blue liners to the penalty killers, each player has taken his particular task to heart. And nowhere is that more evident than on the checking line.

"You just have to take pride in what your job is," Niedermayer says. "Everybody knowing and accepting your role is a big part of any successful team."

While neither of the three usually start the game, they often finish it, hitting the ice in the last minutes to help secure a Ducks advantage.

"When you're out there in the last minute of a game, holding a lead, it's exciting," Moen says. "It's satisfying being out there at that time."

Carlyle put the line together at the outset of the season and has no plans of breaking them up.

"The biggest tribute you can give to a player or a line is when the coaching staff trusts them," Carlyle says. "And we trust them." ■



*Pahlsson: "We all play a role and take pride in that role. The first thing we want to do is win."*



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# DUCKS IN THE COMMUNITY

During the holiday season, the Anaheim Ducks players, wives, coaches and staff got into the spirit and took part in a variety of events to help give back to the local community and bring the gift of giving to those who might be without during the holidays.

## CHOC Hospital Visit

On December 4 the Ducks spent a day off the ice to make a special visit to the Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC). During this annual event the



*(Clockwise from left) Ducks players Ryan Shannon, Chris Pronger, Ilya Bryzgalov and Todd Marchant pose with a child during the Ducks' visit to CHOC.*

team spent the morning spreading holiday cheer to the patients, played air hockey and video games, and participated in holiday arts and crafts. The players also went room-to-room to visit patients and handed out early holiday gifts such as Ducks merchandise and Kids Club Kits, which were donated by Ducks fans. In

addition, the players signed autographs, posed for pictures and talked with the parents and siblings of the patients.



*Anaheim Ducks Executive VP/General Manager Brian Burke, Ducks staff, Power Players and Wild Wing participate in Stuff-a-Bus as part of the Spark of Love Toy Drive at Honda Center.*

## Anaheim Ducks Toy Drive

At each of the four home games during the month of December, Ducks players' wives got involved in the annual Toy Drive, helping to collect new, unwrapped, toys, books and games to benefit the 12th Annual Spark of Love Toy Drive with the Anaheim Fire Department and ABC 7, and CHiP's for Kids Toy Drive with the California Highway Patrol and CBS 2/KCAL 9. Thanks to the generous support of Anaheim Ducks fans, the annual Toy Drive collected more than 1,800 toys for Southern California children.

## Adopt-a-Family

In partnership with Share Our Selves (SOS), a nonprofit organization that provides free care and assistance to those in need, the team participated in the annual Adopt-A-Family program and the Festival of Trees. Through the Adopt-A-Family program, the Ducks players, wives and staff members provided low-income families with food and gifts in hopes of making the holiday season special for local families. In addition, the team sponsored a Ducks-themed Christmas

tree, which was decked out with Ducks pucks and pennants, orange and gold garland and lights and rubber ducks. The Ducks tree was then auctioned off at the Festival of Trees charity event where one lucky Ducks fan won the opportunity to have a truly Ducks holiday with all of the proceeds benefiting SOS.

### Snowball Express

To honor the U.S. military during the holiday season, the Ducks collaborated with local nonprofit, Snowball Express, which is a program for those who have lost a parent or loved one while serving in our military forces during the Afghanistan and Iraq conflict since 9/11. The Snowball Express provided a special holiday experience for approximately 1,000 military families who came from throughout the nation to Southern California to celebrate the holidays through a variety of festive activities. The Snowball Express program was the largest gathering in U.S. history of families who have lost military dads or moms in war since 9/11.

During their visit to Orange County, Snowball Express families spent a day at Disneyland and attended a special performance of The Glory of Christmas at the Crystal Cathedral.



*Ducks Executive Vice President/COO Tim Ryan (left), Wild Wing and the Steffeney family from North Carolina, who represented the Snowball Express in a Community Spotlight presentation on Dec. 18.*

In addition, Oakley hosted a private holiday party for the families, including street hockey, a rock climbing wall, skateboard, BMX and Freestyle MX exhibitions, a video game arcade, action sports videos and an appearance by Ducks mascot Wild Wing and the Power Players. At the December 18 game versus Calgary, the Ducks hosted more than 550 U.S. military family members to attend the game and be honored during the Community Spotlight. The Snowball Express week of fun was wrapped up by watching an exciting game the Ducks won 4-1 over the Flames. ■

## Anaheim Ducks Casino Night

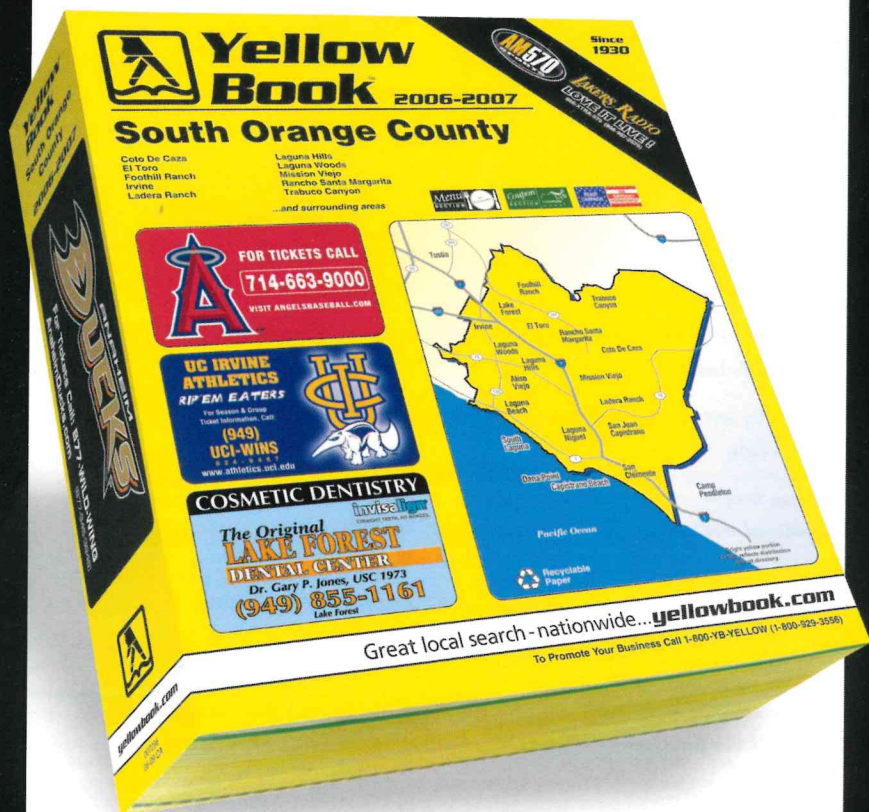
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For sponsorship information for the 2007 Anaheim Ducks Casino Night: Rum, Rumba & Roulette, please call 877-WILDWING. ■





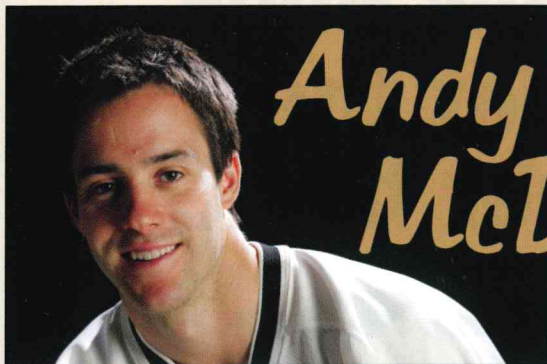
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# Andy McDonald

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### Favorite NHL team growing up

Toronto Maple Leafs

### Player you most admired growing up

Wayne Gretzky

### College major

International relations

### Favorite food

Sushi or Mexican food. For fast Mexican food I like Rubio's and Toco Bell's Nacho Supreme.

### Favorite restaurants in Orange County

Luigi's in Huntington Beach or Fleming's at Fashion Island

### Favorite vacation spot

Bora Bora. I spent my honeymoon there.

### What other sport would you play if you didn't play hockey?

Golf

### Favorite music

Coldplay and Dave Matthews Band. I also like some hip hop, like 50 Cent.

### Favorite movie

"Gladiator"

### Favorite TV shows

"Lost", "24" and "The Sopranos"

### Favorite actor

Paul Walker

### Person who introduced you to hockey

My dad

### Best hockey memory

Playing for Team Canada in the 2002 World Championships

### What would you do if you didn't play hockey?

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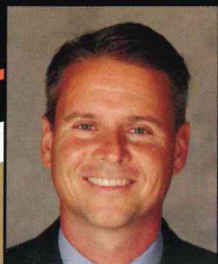
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# TELEVISION AND RADIO



**John Ahlers**

Television Play-by-Play

**J**ohn Ahlers is in his fifth year as the Ducks play-by-play voice on FSN PrimeTicket and KDOC.

Additionally, Ahlers has implemented a series of community initiatives aimed at emphasizing the value of teamwork in day-to-day life. He makes numerous presentations each year to elementary-aged students using the sport of hockey as a model to demonstrate the need for cooperation in any successful endeavor. Ahlers can also be seen and heard at many of the Ducks community relations' events, where he works as host and emcee.

Prior to joining the Ducks, Ahlers was with the Tampa Bay Lightning organization.

While in Tampa Bay, Ahlers served as radio play-by-play voice from 1999-2002. An 18-year broadcast veteran with over 1,300 games behind the microphone, he also worked as host of the Lightning's television pre-game show and *Lightning Weekly*, a magazine format program aired on Florida's Sunshine Television Network.

Prior to his stint with Tampa Bay, Ahlers spent five seasons as the television and radio voice of the International Hockey League's (IHL) Detroit Vipers. During that time, he also worked as broadcaster of the IHL Game of the Week and Turner Cup Finals for Fox Sports Net. While with the Vipers he received numerous awards, including the IHL Broadcaster of the Year in 1995 and Emmys for Best Sports Broadcasts in 1995, 1998 and most recently in 2003 for Best Live Sports Broadcast during Game 4 against Detroit in the first round of the Stanley Cup Playoffs.

A graduate of Michigan State University, he's also been the voice of the Salt Lake Golden Eagles (IHL) and the Louisville IceHawks (East Coast Hockey League) as well as Michigan State and Colorado College hockey. ■



**Brian Hayward**

Television Color Analyst

**T**he original television analyst for the Anaheim Ducks, Brian Hayward is in his 14th season with the club. Over the past 13 years, he has earned a reputation as one of hockey's most articulate and informative analysts.

In addition to his work in Anaheim, Hayward is also an analyst for the "NHL on NBC" broadcast team that covers regionalized regular season match-ups, as well as Stanley Cup Playoff and Finals action. His work with NBC brought him to the 2006 Winter Olympics in Torino, Italy, where he provided color commentary for several men's hockey contests.

Hayward has also called games for ABC, ESPN, ESPN2 and CBC. He served as color commentator for the 2004 World Cup of Hockey on ESPN's telecasts of the event. In 1998, he was a roving reporter during the Stanley Cup Finals for ESPN, where he had the distinction of interviewing President Bill Clinton during a game in Washington.

After earning All-America honors as a goaltender at Cornell in 1982, Hayward went on to play in the NHL with the Winnipeg Jets, Montreal Canadiens, Minnesota North Stars and San Jose Sharks. In 1984-85, Hayward established a franchise record by winning 33 games with the Jets.

In Montreal, he teamed with Patrick Roy to win the William M. Jennings Trophy three consecutive years ('87-89) as the team allowing the fewest goals over the course of the regular season. Hayward also appeared in the Stanley Cup Finals in 1986 with Montreal and 1991 with Minnesota.

A member of the inaugural San Jose Sharks in 1991-92, Hayward gained experience as an analyst on select Sharks games while sidelined with injuries. When a back injury forced a premature end to his playing career, he became a full-time broadcaster with the Ducks.

A native of Toronto, Hayward holds a degree in business management from Cornell. He resides in Anaheim Hills with his wife, Angela, and daughter, Courtney. ■



**Steve Carroll**

Radio Play-by-Play

**S**teve Carroll is in his eighth season as the Ducks radio play-by-play voice. A veteran of 28 years as a play-by-play announcer, he joined the club prior to the 1999-2000 season.

After landing his first play-by-play job as voice of the Mineral Area Junior College Men's Basketball Team (Flatriver, Missouri) in 1976, Carroll has gone on to broadcast in several sports at both the college and professional levels. The long list of teams include the Nashville Sounds, Huntsville Stars, Iowa Cubs, New Orleans Storm, Vanderbilt University basketball and the Nashville Knights. He has been employed in nine states and has called action in every state with the exception of Alaska and Idaho. At one point in the mid-1990s, Carroll was in Nashville broadcasting for five teams in three sports, while freelancing for a newspaper.

Carroll joined the Ducks after spending the previous two seasons handling the radio play-by-play duties for the New Orleans Brass of the ECHL, including serving in the communications, media relations and corporate sales departments. He also called games for the New Orleans Zephyrs, a Triple-A affiliate of the Houston Astros, from 1996-98.

The 51-year-old Carroll has previous NHL broadcasting experience with the Philadelphia Flyers, serving as radio play-by-play announcer for the 1995-96 season. He also called action for the New Haven Nighthawks of the AHL during the 1985-86 season and the Des Moines Buccaneers (USHL) from 1981-85.

A native of St. Louis, Carroll is also a contributor to [anaheimducks.com](http://anaheimducks.com), the club's official team website. On behalf of the team he does numerous speaking engagements and charity work during the season and in the summer months. Carroll also co-hosted "This Week in Angels Baseball" for two years on Adelphia Cable in Southern California.

Steve and his wife Rhonda, reside in Ladera Ranch. ■





## Brent Severyn

### Radio Color Analyst

**B**rent Severyn is in his second season as radio color analyst with the Ducks, joining Steve Carroll in the broadcast booth throughout the season. He also serves as co-host for the Ducks' Post-Game Radio Show immediately following every home game in front of a live audience, giving fans a chance to interact with the hosts and various players interviewed throughout the season. In addition to his radio duties, Severyn filled in as the Ducks television analyst, teaming with play-by-play voice John Ahlers several times during the 2005-06 season.

Before coming to Anaheim, the former Duck logged five years of hockey broadcasting experience in both radio and television. He worked as an analyst with FSN Southwest in Dallas, and with the Stars' post game radio coverage on 1310 AM, The Ticket.

Severyn is actively involved in the community and has been the recipient of the community service award for both the Ducks and the Dallas Stars. Severyn works extensively with athletes from all competition levels and has even started his own community program called Sevy's Bikes for Kids and Assistance.

A native of Vegreville, Alberta, Severyn was a member of the 1997-98 Mighty Ducks of Anaheim. Brent is President of his own multi-faceted company, Severyn Sports Inc., which has partnered with The Cutting Edge, a sports performance center in Lake Forest, California, to train hockey players in Orange County, as well as Dallas, Texas.

A seven-year NHL veteran and 14 years of professional hockey experience, Severyn played 328 games between Quebec, Florida, the New York Islanders, Colorado, Anaheim and Dallas. In 1999, he was member of the Stanley Cup winning Dallas Stars. Severyn was drafted by Winnipeg in the fifth round (99th overall) of the 1984 NHL Entry Draft. ■

## 2006-07 TV SCHEDULE

| DATE           | OPPONENT          | TIME       | TV      |
|----------------|-------------------|------------|---------|
| Fri. Jan. 5    | COLUMBUS          | 7:05 p.m.  | FSN P/T |
| Sun. Jan. 7    | DETROIT           | 5:05 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Tues. Jan. 9   | @ Nashville       | 5:00 p.m.  | FSN P/T |
| Thurs. Jan. 11 | @ Dallas          | 5:30 p.m.  |         |
| Sat. Jan. 13   | COLORADO          | 7:05 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Tues. Jan. 16  | ST. LOUIS         | 7:05 p.m.  | FSN P/T |
| Thurs. Jan. 18 | @ Edmonton        | 6:00 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Fri. Jan. 19   | @ Calgary         | 6:00 p.m.  | FSN P/T |
| Wed. Jan. 24   | NHL All-Star Game |            |         |
| Sun. Jan. 28   | DALLAS            | 12:35 p.m. | NBC     |
| Wed. Jan. 31   | PHOENIX           | 7:05 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Sat. Feb. 3    | @ Nashville       | 5:00 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Tues. Feb. 6   | @ San Jose        | 7:30 p.m.  | FSN P/T |
| Wed. Feb. 7    | SAN JOSE          | 7:05 p.m.  | FSN     |
| Sat. Feb. 10   | @ Dallas          | 12:30 p.m. |         |
| Tues. Feb. 13  | @ Colorado        | 6:00 p.m.  | VERSUS  |
| Thurs. Feb. 15 | @ Phoenix         | 6:00 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Sat. Feb. 17   | @ Los Angeles     | 7:30 p.m.  | FSN (K) |
| Sun. Feb. 18   | LOS ANGELES       | 5:05 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Tues. Feb. 20  | VANCOUVER         | 7:05 p.m.  | FSN P/T |
| Fri. Feb. 23   | @ Dallas          | 5:30 p.m.  | FSN P/T |
| Sun. Feb. 25   | COLORADO          | 5:05 p.m.  | KDOC    |
| Mon. Feb. 26   | @ San Jose        | 7:00 p.m.  | VERSUS  |

| DATE           | OPPONENT      | TIME      | TV      |
|----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| Thurs. Mar. 1  | @ Los Angeles | 7:30 p.m. | FSN (K) |
| Fri. Mar. 2    | SAN JOSE      | 7:05 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Sun. Mar. 4    | NASHVILLE     | 5:05 p.m. | KDOC    |
| Wed. Mar. 7    | PHOENIX       | 7:05 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Fri. Mar. 9    | EDMONTON      | 7:05 p.m. | KDOC    |
| Sun. Mar. 11   | VANCOUVER     | 5:05 p.m. | KDOC    |
| Wed. Mar. 14   | COLUMBUS      | 7:05 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Fri. Mar. 16   | CHICAGO       | 7:05 p.m. | KDOC    |
| Sun. Mar. 18   | LOS ANGELES   | 5:05 p.m. | KDOC    |
| Thurs. Mar. 22 | @ Phoenix     | 7:00 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Fri. Mar. 23   | DALLAS        | 7:05 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Mon. Mar. 26   | @ Detroit     | 4:00 p.m. | VERSUS  |
| Wed. Mar. 28   | @ Chicago     | 5:30 p.m. | FSN     |
| Thurs. Mar. 29 | @ Columbus    | 4:00 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Sat. Mar. 31   | @ St. Louis   | 5:00 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Wed. Apr. 4    | SAN JOSE      | 7:05 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Fri. Apr. 6    | @ Dallas      | 5:30 p.m. | FSN P/T |
| Sat. Apr. 7    | @ Columbus    | 4:00 p.m. | KDOC    |

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 Public Safety Officers ..... Leo Alexander, Nestor Blanco,  
 Jeffrey DeMooy, Carlos Duarte, Jeff Evans, Antonio Giordano,  
 George Haro, Paulo Kome, Denise Mendrick,  
 Gordon Pitman, Robert Quinn, Antonio Ruscitto

### ANAHEIM ICE

General Manager ..... Art Trotter  
 Hockey Manager ..... Rick Hutchinson  
 Skating Manager ..... John Saitta  
 Supervisor/Lead ..... Phil Zamora  
 Operations Coordinator ..... Jill Legault  
 Operations Representative ..... Cindy Frazier  
 Associates ..... Stacy Jackson, Jason Major

### MISCELLANEOUS

Home Ice ..... Honda Center (opened 1993)  
 Capacity ..... 17,174  
 PA Announcer ..... Phil Hulett  
 Team Colors ..... Black and Gold with Orange and Silver Accents  
 Practice Facilities ..... Anaheim ICE (300 W. Lincoln Ave.)  
 & Honda Center (2695 E. Katella Ave.)  
 Primary Developmental Affiliate ..... Portland Pirates (AHL)  
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 Founded ..... 1993



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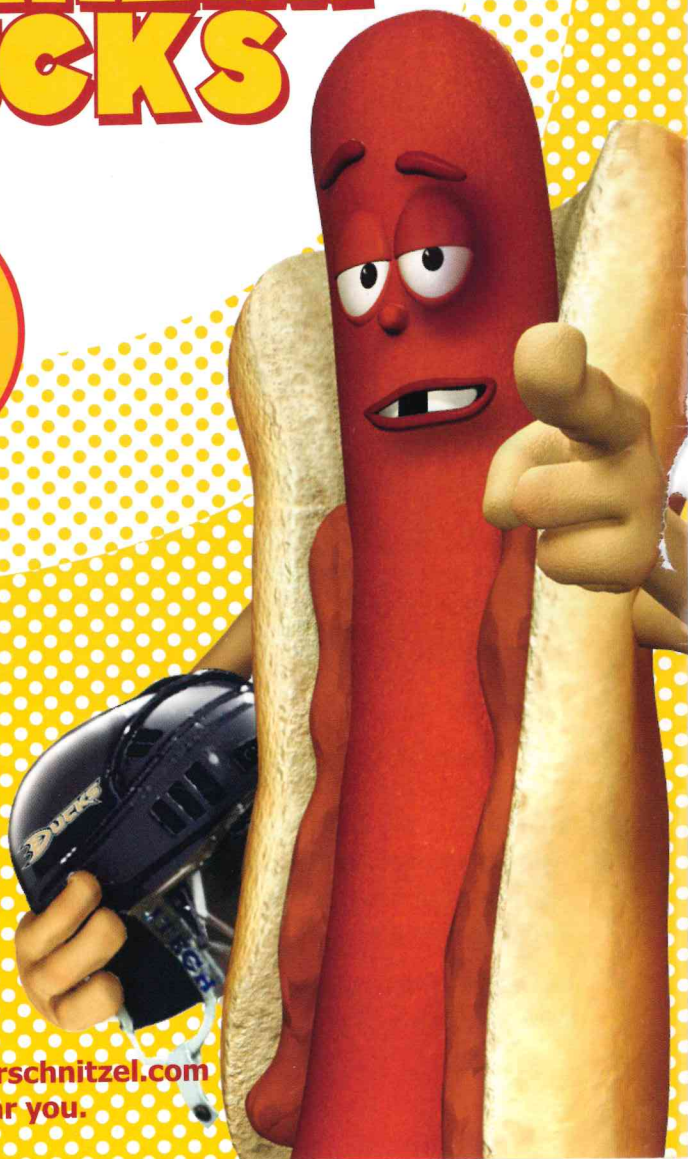
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## 2006-2007 Ticket Pricing

### PLAZA CONCOURSE

|            | Season Seat Price     | Season Seat Per Game Price | Game Day Price     |
|------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Glass      | \$7,605 <sup>00</sup> | \$169 <sup>00</sup>        | N/A                |
| Rear Glass | \$5,467 <sup>00</sup> | \$121 <sup>00</sup>        | N/A                |
| Plaza Main | \$3,330 <sup>00</sup> | \$74 <sup>00</sup>         | \$96 <sup>00</sup> |
| Plaza Goal | \$2,700 <sup>00</sup> | \$60 <sup>00</sup>         | \$75 <sup>00</sup> |
| Disabled   | \$1,732 <sup>00</sup> | \$38 <sup>00</sup>         | N/A                |

### TERRACE CONCOURSE

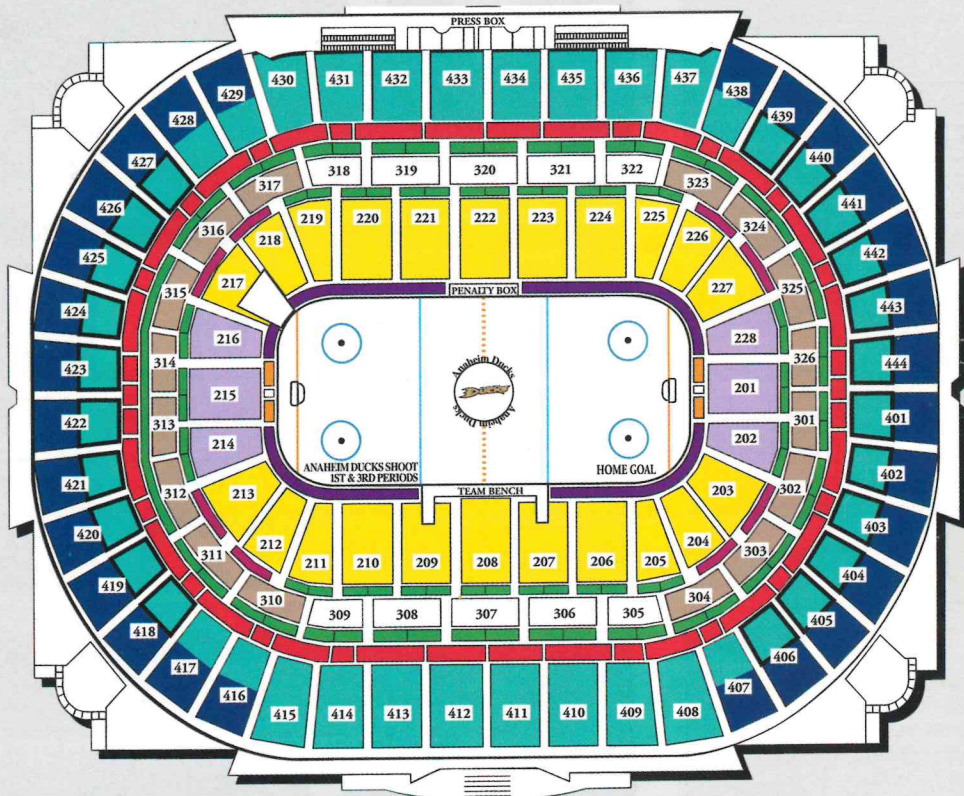
|               | Season Seat Price     | Season Seat Per Game Price | Game Day Price     |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Terrace Lower | \$1,935 <sup>00</sup> | \$43 <sup>00</sup>         | \$58 <sup>00</sup> |
| Terrace Main  | \$1,125 <sup>00</sup> | \$25 <sup>00</sup>         | \$38 <sup>00</sup> |
| Buy 2, Get 2  | \$2,385 <sup>00</sup> | Total for all 4 Seats      |                    |
| Terrace Value | \$495 <sup>00</sup>   | \$11 <sup>00</sup>         | \$17 <sup>75</sup> |

### CLUB CONCOURSE

|                                      | Season Seat Price     | Season Seat Per Game Price | Game Day Price      |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Sections 310-317<br>323-326, 301-304 | \$3,735 <sup>00</sup> | \$83 <sup>00</sup>         | \$102 <sup>00</sup> |

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# HONDA Center

Opening in 1993, Honda Center stands as the premier entertainment and sports venue in Southern California. Owned by the City of Anaheim and operated by Anaheim Arena Management, LLC, the arena is home to the Anaheim Ducks and annual John R. Wooden Classic. Annual favorites include the Harlem Globetrotters, Stars On Ice and Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus.

Following a blockbuster year in 2005, Honda Center ranked third in the world for event ticket sales by Billboard magazine, hosting top acts such as U2, Eagles and Paul McCartney. Over the years, top-name artists Madonna, Phil Collins and Bon Jovi have also graced the stage.

Honda Center offers fans a facility that is both beautiful to behold and a delight in which to view any event, reflecting state-of-the-art design in both form and function. The arena affords visitors incredibly comfortable seating and some of the best sight lines and proximity to the action found anywhere. The creation of The Theatre at Honda Center in 2001 as a separate venue allows for intimate performances in front of a crowd of approximately 7,000 people.

The complete arena encompasses 650,000 square feet of space and is lined inside and out with marble and granite from around the world. The building's roof spans 444 feet by 329 feet, more than 100 feet above the arena floor.

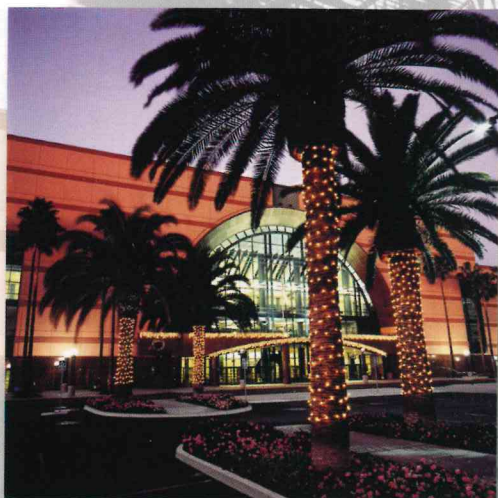
The arena has three levels of seating. Closest to the arena floor is the Plaza Level with

**LOCATION SITE:** 2695 East Katella Avenue (at Douglass, east of 57 freeway)

**SEATING CAPACITY (including Suites):** 17,174 for hockey, lacrosse and other rink events; 17,608 for basketball; 18,900 for center stage events; 18,325 for end stage events and 7,000 for Theatre events. Seating is customized per event.

**ARENA HIGHLIGHTS:** NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament Western Regionals (1998, 2001, 2003), 1999 NCAA Frozen Four, 2003 World Gymnastics Championships, 2004 U.S. Team Trials — Gymnastics, 2005 World Badminton Championships, U2, Bette Midler, Paul McCartney, Eagles, Barbra Streisand, Gwen Stefani, Luis Miguel, Sarah Brightman, Rod Stewart, David Bowie, Beyonce, Missy Elliott, Shakira, Phil Collins, Toby Keith, Alan Jackson, Madonna, Prince, Van Halen, Gloria Estefan, Jimmy Buffett, Bon Jovi and the John R. Wooden Classic.

**ATTENDANCE:** Since 1993, 23 million fans have been entertained at Honda Center, enjoying more than 2,300 events.



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The arena is located in Orange County, east of the 57 (Orange) freeway on Katella Avenue. Five major freeways (57, 22, 5, 91, 55) are conveniently located within a five-mile radius of the building. ■



# Honda Center Calendar of Events



**JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE**  
with special guest **PINK**  
January 9 at 8 PM



**CHEETAH GIRLS**  
January 12 at 7 PM



**STARS ON ICE**  
January 20 at  
7:30 PM



**HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL**  
**THE CONCERT TOUR**  
January 26 at 7 PM



**TOP RANK BOXING**  
January 27 at 4:15 PM



**HARLEM**  
**GLOBETROTTERS**  
February 17 at 2 PM  
& 7:30 PM



**PROFESSIONAL**  
**BULL RIDERS (PBR)**  
**AMP'D MOBILE**  
**INVITATIONAL**  
Feb. 9 at 7:30 PM,  
Feb. 10 at 6 PM &  
Feb. 11 at 2 PM



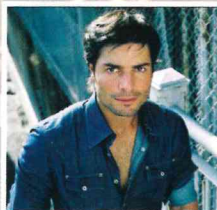
**ERIC CLAPTON**  
March 17 at 7:30 PM



**CHRISTINA AGUILERA**  
March 5 at 7:30 PM



**BILL GAITHER**  
**AND FRIENDS**  
April 28 at 6 PM



**CHAYANNE**  
June 14 at 7:30 PM

# ANAHEIM DUCKS

## 2006-2007 SEASON SCHEDULE

### SEPTEMBER

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| 17     | 18     | 19      | 20        | 21       | 22     | 23       |
| 24     | 25     | 26      | 27        | 28       | 29     | 30       |

18 LA 7:05 PM  
 20 SJ 7:05 PM  
 22 VAN 7:05 PM  
 23 \*SJ 7:30 PM  
 24 VAN 5:00 PM  
 25 LA 7:30 PM  
 27 PHX 7:05 PM  
 30 PHX 7:00 PM

### OCTOBER

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| 29     | 30     | 31      |           |          |        |          |

6 LA 7:05 PM  
 7 PHX 7:00 PM  
 9 STL 7:05 PM  
 11 NYI 7:05 PM  
 15 DAL 5:05 PM  
 18 DET 7:05 PM  
 20 MIN 7:05 PM  
 22 LA 3:00 PM  
 25 EDM 7:05 PM  
 27 MIN 5:00 PM  
 28 CHI 5:30 PM  
 30 STL 5:00 PM

### NOVEMBER

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 3 PHX 7:05 PM  
 6 PIT 7:05 PM  
 9 VAN 7:00 PM  
 10 CGY 6:30 PM  
 12 MIN 5:05 PM  
 15 PHI 7:05 PM  
 17 CHI 7:05 PM  
 19 PHX 5:05 PM  
 21 SJ 7:05 PM  
 22 COL 6:00 PM  
 24 NJ 1:05 PM  
 26 CGY 5:05 PM  
 28 EDM 6:00 PM  
 30 VAN 7:00 PM

### DECEMBER

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 6 NSH 7:05 PM  
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 9 TB 4:30 PM  
 12 FLA 4:30 PM  
 13 ATL 4:00 PM  
 16 SJ 7:30 PM  
 18 CGY 7:05 PM  
 20 DAL 7:05 PM  
 23 PHX 6:00 PM  
 26 SJ 7:30 PM  
 29 CAR 4:00 PM  
 31 MIN 3:00 PM

HOME GAMES AWAY GAMES PRESEASON GAMES

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 9 NSH 5:00 PM  
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 24 ALL STAR  
 31 PHX 7:05 PM  
 5 CLB 7:05 PM  
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 20 CGY 6:00 PM  
 28 DAL 12:35 PM  
 31 PHX 7:05 PM

### FEBRUARY

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### MARCH

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### APRIL

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- 1 You're So Van
- 2 Whole Lotta' Leather
- 3 Takin' It to the Speed Limit
- 4 15 Cup-Holders of Love
- 5 Runnin' on All Six Cylinders
- 6 The Magic Third Row
- 7 We'll Get There Together (The Navi song)
- 8 Honky Tonkin' Soccer Momma
- 9 Van of Fools
- 10 These Wheels Were Made for Errands
- 11 244 Wild Horses
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